

BIG YEAR IS EXPECTED IN WESTERN FOOTBALL

Chicago, Aug. 29.—This looks like another great year for Western football. With one or two exceptions, the powerful eleven that attracted national attention last year will be almost intact. Any vacant spots will be plugged with some of the most promising material Western grid-irons have seen in years.

Outside the Western Conference, Notre Dame, on paper, appears to top any eleven in the west this year and the West expects to see the Catholics score a decisive victory over Yale. The material at Michigan this fall looks woefully weak when compared with the squad Yost had last year and a victory over Harvard in the other great inter-sectional clash of the year is scarcely to be expected.

Notre Dame has lost but two men from the great eleven of last year—Rockne and Dorais. Dorais' place will be filled from a trio of good reserve men but the problem of finding an end to replace Rockne will be a serious one.

Of the Western Conference Elevens, Chicago, Wisconsin and Illinois look best at this stage of the game. The Maroon eleven, Conference Championship last year and undoubtedly one of the greatest machines the West has produced, will be a trifle weaker at the opening of the season. Capt. Norgren, an all-American selection in 1913, and Fulback Pearce, are lost to Coach Stagg. There is no dearth of material at Chicago University, however, and the Maroon eleven should be in the running for another championship from the start.

Wisconsin counts upon some of the best material in the West from the 1913-14 freshman class to replace veterans graduated last June. Illinois' line-up from 1913 is practically intact. Coach Zupke made a brilliant showing at the downstate school in his first try last year and is expected to produce a contender for the championship.

Bear stories are emanating from Minnesota, where it is said that several of the stars of the 1913 eleven

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will not return to school. Purdue lost most of her best men last June and Northwestern's team is not believed to be of championship timber. Of the other Conference schools, Ohio State is said to look better than last year; Indiana's prospects are somewhat improved, but Iowa is not counted upon to be the factor she was in 1913.

HAY FEVER SEASON OFFICIALLY OPENED.

New York, Aug. 29.—Throughout the length and breadth of the land the official hay fever season will open tomorrow to the accompaniment of approximately 635,427 sneezes. That's the number of hay fever victims who are said to suffer annually in the United States.)

There may have been numerous hay fever sneezes heard previous to today, but these were merely desultory cackoos. They were, so to speak, the advance guard of the forces which will open with the heavy artillery of sneezes tomorrow.

By some strange fate or law of nature which as yet is not explained the victims of this obnoxious malady sometimes after the date, according to many victims, they are attacked. It is about that time that the pollen from dandelions, and other growths begin to float through the air, and it is the presence of these all but invisible tiny particles in the atmosphere that causes the hay fever. Only after the first frosts do the majority of sufferers get relief from constant sneezing and other uncomfortable effects of hay fever.

SOCIALISTS PLAN YEARLY POTTER'S FIELD SERVICE.

Oakland, Cal., Aug. 29.—The Alameda county socialists party is making arrangements to make an annual feature of their memorial service at the potter's field of the county infirmary for those to whom they refer as "victims of the capitalist system." The recent initial service of this character was a highly impressive ceremony. Socialist women from all over the country brought flowers, the service was read by the Rev. Wilmot Friend of an East Oakland Baptist church, and there were music, speeches and prayers for the unnamed pauper dead.

Motorcycles Run Tomorrow.
Laporte, Ind., Aug. 29.—With nearly a score entered the Laporte Motorcycle Club will hold a run from here to St. Joseph's, Mich., tomorrow.

CARBUNCLE OF MEXICO HAS AT LAST LOST ITS CORE.

(By William G. Shepherd, United Press Staff Correspondent.)
Mexico City, July 29.—(By Mail to New York.)—It's a different Mexico. If all Job's boils had burst at one and the same time, and all the pain and purple, fevered swelling had disappeared in one grand bang of cores, Job might have felt something like Mexico feels today. The wonderer to a man who has had a carbuncle lanced is that so much pain can disappear in such a short instant. And Mexico today is like an ex-sufferer of carbuncle—wondering and happy and willing almost to kiss the surgeon.

A little, iron-grey haired Indian, with a stubby mustache had dashed through the streets of the capital one morning in an automobile; he had alighted at a railroad station, climbed into a waiting Pullman, said to the porter, "Hello, my boy; glad to see you! If you've got anything to drink in this car bring me a double cognac." The engine bell had rung, and the conductor had shouted, "All aboard," the train had started—and the core of Mexico's carbuncle had been expelled. That railroad engine, No. 27, was the strongly drawing poultice; Huerta, sipping his good-bye cognac, was the core; the Mexican capital and all the land of Mexico was the happy patient.

There were hundreds of thousands of men in Mexico who slept soundly that night for the first time in many months. The rich man slept peacefully in his mansion because he knew that at last his wealth was safe; the poor slept soundly in his dobe hut because he knew that Huerta, the man who in the dead of night dragged peons from their beds and families and put them into his starving army, had gone. The wonder of it all, to rich and poor, was that anything so small as a Pullman car coach could carry away from the nation such a gigantic horror as this man Huerta had been. But the Pullman car did it. In the Arabian Nights a fisherman found on the seashore a small casket which contained the terrible Genii which, when released, was so huge in size it filled the sky. So the Pullman car, with a little iron-grey haired man, sleeping in his clothes, on a red plush settee, inside, contained a terror that had been suspended over the nation like a vast cloud and that had hung over the lives and homes of Mexico's men, women and children as the shadows of the dead volcanoes hang over beautiful Mexico City.

LOOK OUT FOR ARMY-WORM MOTHS WITH COLORED WING

U. S. Dept. of Agriculture Requests Public's Assistance in Determining Moth's Habits.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 25.—Everyone interested in the destruction of the army-worm pest is being requested by the U. S. Department of Agriculture to look out for army-worm moths with one artificially-colored wing. The Department's entomologists are catching army-worm moths where they are plentiful, coloring one wing of each, and then liberating them in the same territory, so that they may determine whether these moths fly directly west, or north, and how quickly and far they will spread. A better knowledge of the habits of this pest should enable the department to control its spread. No moths are to be let loose where their liberation could possibly add to the natural damage.

The moths are already showing themselves in Virginia and in Maryland, and the department's agents are catching specimens at Portsmouth and Charlottesville, in Virginia, and Hagerstown in Maryland. The agents at Portsmouth are applying a red stain to one wing of each specimen caught; those at Charlottesville a black or yellow stain; and those at Hagerstown, a violet color. Then the moths are left to follow the natural course they would have pursued.

"Look for army-worm moth with a colored wing during the coming month," the department's bureau of entomology is advising its agents east of the Mississippi. Any one observing a marked specimen will aid in the campaign by reporting the fact to the bureau of entomology, Washington, D. C. When its presence has been noted, the moth should be destroyed.

How to Recognize the Moth.
The wings of the army-worm moth, when outspread, measure about 1-2 inches from tip to tip. The body is about half this length. The general shape of the moth with its wings outspread is triangular. The moths will hover about the lights in the evening. On farms, they will be found on the outside of screens and doors at night. They will probably be observed in the daytime. On dark, hot, close nights, such as precede thunder storms, they will probably be especially noticeable.

The army-worm pest has caused considerable damage to the crops and lawns this summer throughout the

Northern United States east of the Mississippi. The worms are only now disappearing in Northern Maine and Michigan, which were probably hatched from the eggs of moths migrating from more southern portions of the country. With the additional knowledge that this experiment will give, the department hopes to control the spread of the pest more completely in coming years.

TERRIBLE MASSACRES ARE REPORTED IN INTERIOR CHINA

Shanghai, Aug. 29.—Conditions of disorder in interior China such as did not characterize even in the revolutionary period preceding the Manchus' overthrow two and a half years ago were reported today by foreigners who arrived here from Hankow and other up-country points.

Throughout Honan, Hupeh, Shansi, and Anhwei provinces, they said brigandage is rampant on such a scale that cities even of 200,000 and 300,000 population are unsafe from attack. Scores of smaller towns have been sacked. Frightful massacres have been perpetrated and loot worth millions have been carried off.

Bodies of troops aggregating 20,000 or 25,000 in number are in the field against the outlaws and there have been dozens of skirmishes and a few tolerably respectable battles, in which bandits have held their own often as they have been beaten. No quarter is shown on either side, the victors invariably beheading their prisoners and in some cases torturing before killing them.

Opponents of the President Yuan Shi Kai's government are said unquestionably to be encouraging the bandits' activity to be supplying quantities of arms and ammunition and to be doing their utmost to weld the numerous bands into a single force for another revolution.

Southern China revolutionary agents are busy in the vicinity of Canton and Piracy on the West River has reached such proportions that even foreign shipping is endangered.

PEACE PROSPECTS FOR MEXICO SAID TO BE GOOD.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 26.—Paul Fuller of New York who, it is predicted, probably will be the next ambassador to Mexico, reported to President Wilson today that there was little danger of a conflict between Villa and Carranza, and that prospects for continued peace in Mexico were bright.

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