

### ALL-EASTERN BACKS PICKED BY U. S. EXPERTS

**Ken Strong, Chris Eagle Paul Scull and Howard Harpster Four Selected in East—Greatest of Game.**

New York, Nov. 27—(By Frank Getty, United Press Sports Editor)—The greatest backfield ever named for a mythical All-Eastern eleven.

Such is the opinion of leading coaches of the east, as well as other football experts who saw these players in action, of the quarter of stars selected yesterday by the United Press.

The linesmen chosen for this year's all-eastern team are not far behind the backs, and the United Press eleven, made with the assistance and advice of more than a score of coaches and officials is one of the best in many seasons.

So powerful is the all-eastern backfield of 1928 that it is difficult to see how players from other sections of the country are to win recognition when the final award of All-American gridiron greatness is made next week.

Howard Harpster, Carnegie Tech's brilliant quarterback, is the greatest field general seen on a football field in many a year. In addition to being able to kick, run and pass with the best in the country, Harpster brought uncanny judgment of plays and soundness of leadership to his team.

Chick Meehan, Coach of New York University's eleven, which defeated the skibos Saturday, said of Harpster: "He had us tied in knots during the entire first half. It was like playing against ten men and a coach."

Kenneth Strong of New York University, who scored more points and gained more ground than any back in the country, was the outstanding star of a season which demanded consistently high calibre of play from its leading players. Strong weighing more than 200 pounds, a ten second man, strong as a bull and tireless on the attack and defence could outkick, outrun and outpass all his adversaries and was a team in himself.

The other half-back to make the all-eastern team of 1928 was not far behind strong in all-round worth, Christian Eagle of the Army made a great name for himself this season, with his dashing runs, accurate passes and desperate, unsparring defensive play, and was alone responsible for the great record of the West point eleven.

### GOSSIP FROM BIG LEAGUES

John McGraw has signed Ray Schalk to coach his pitchers and not more or less as a Marshal Ney to the baseball Napoleon. It is believed that Schalk will make good, but he didn't make good last season coaching Sox pitchers and acting as Napoleon himself and not Marshal Ney.

More than one catcher, young and old, is an automaton and by no means the motor of his ball club as he often represented as being. This is not inferring that Schalk is an automaton.

But it is altogether defying reason to declare solemnly that Schalk will solve all of McGraw's troubles for the little catcher has yet to make good as coach, or manager. His friends believe that he will justify the confidence reposed in him under "the more congenial conditions in New York."

Those who follow the Giants year in and year out laugh at "the more congenial conditions in New York"

### FREDERICTON CITY FOOTBALL CLUB ORGANIZED FOR THE 1929 SEASON

**Team Members and Guests Attended Pleasing Banquet Last Night—Formation of Football Club, Ewart Atkinson, Elected President—Various Toasts Proposed Responded to—Optimistic Feeling For Next Year's Team—Splendid Time Enjoyed.**

For the first time in eighteen years or over, Fredericton city were able to hold a banquet for its football team, and oddly happily enough, the banquet carried with it the championship of the Provincial Rugby league, organized this year after an absence of eighteen years. The banquet was held at the Goody Shop last evening, with the members of the champion city team and a number of invited guests.

One of the most important steps taken last night, following the splendid supper served and the various enthusiastic speeches over this season's team, was the formation of a Fredericton City Football Club for coming seasons. A long discussion took place among those present in which there were various suggestions proposed or rejected. The matter of having the one club control all sports in this city, as is the case with the Montreal English club in Montreal, the Trojans in St. John and the Wanderers of Halifax was talked over; but it was considered inadvisable at present to take this action on account of the conflicting financial difficulties of the other clubs. However, it was suggested that as soon as the Fredericton Football Club got properly started it could take in these other sports in time and order and thus assume gradual control over all sports in the city. The four games which this body would most likely have the jurisdiction over would be football, primarily, hockey, baseball and basketball.

**Officers Elected**  
Ewart Atkinson, toastmaster of the evening, acted as chairman of the latter meeting and as soon as things were nicely started he suggested the election of club officers for the club. The following officers were elected president, Ewart Atkinson; vice-president, W. A. VanWart; Secretary, Fred I. Haviland; Manager, Royden Colter. The position of captain of the team was left open until the season opens next fall. A number present were of the opinion that the position should be left open due to the changes which might take place in the personnel of the team by next fall. Others thought that it would be better to elect the captain at the meeting. It was finally decided to hold the position open until next fall.

**Room Decorated**  
The banquet was a typical football one. The walls of the dining room were tastefully decorated in green and white ribbons, the colors of the city team, and various cartoons, depicting action in football were displayed in cards on the wall, giving the room a distinctive football atmosphere. At each plate was a cartoon, drawn by a well known local cartoonist and many of these sketches in the lighter art were in the exact likeness of the individual.

There were a number of toasts proposed and responded to. In all there was an optimistic feeling for the continued success of the City football team. Practically all the speakers referred to the fact that this year's team was the first attempt at organizing a city team for over eighteen years and the success which crowned the efforts of the team in their first year should be taken as a good omen. C. W. Clark in responding to the toast to the Press, stated that the team this year had won four straight games, with a total of 30 points to their adversary's nil; which is a fine record for a team which has just been organized.

Mr. Clark also said that the winning of the Provincial title by the city team was a surprise to him as well as to most of the fans in this city, a very pleasant surprise. He closing Mr. Clark suggested the organization of a club in the city, whereby all sports in their respective seasons would be controlled by this body. Billy Rutter, valuable little backfield man of this year's team

proposed the toast to the press in fitting manner.

**Toast to Guests**  
The toast to Our Guests was proposed by Royden Colter, manager of this year's team and was responded to by J. B. McNair, local attorney. Mr. Colter in his opening remarks gave the financial statement of the club for the season just closed and the result showed a mere debit balance of \$33.79 which was easily erased by a little extra work by some of the boys. The speaker spoke of the fine support given the team by local men who helped with their cars in transporting the team to Woodstock and St. John in the road trips. He also mentioned that the club this year was really formed by Ralph (Hammie) Kitchen and Ced Woods, who talked over the thing down at the U. N. B. club house one day in the early fall.

In responding to this toast Mr. McNair spoke of the success of this year's team and expressed confidence that the teams in future years would profit by the fine efforts shown this year. He spoke of the time when the city last had fully organized teams which was away back in 1910 and earlier, and said that there had been merely spasmodic efforts since that time up until this year to reorganize a team to represent the city.

The toast to the U. N. B. rugby team was proposed by Ralph Kitchen and responded to by Jack Babbitt, captain of the university team and Rhodes Scholar for this year. The former referred to the good feeling between the two teams and the help that the U. N. B. team had given the city in their early season efforts to get organized. In responding to this toast Mr. Babbitt mentioned the fact that the two teams should work in harmony together and predicted that in a few years the two teams would be about equal in strength and able to furnish each other with plenty of keen opposition and practice for their respective seasons.

The toast to the Fredericton City team was proposed by Clarence "Burdo" Burden, U. N. B. coach and responded to by Scot "Scotty" Clarkson, captain of this year's city team and Egbert Cass. Mr. Burden agreed with C. W. Clark as to the organization of a larger body in the city which should have the solid control of all sports. He suggested that the present football club should be the nucleus of such a body. The speaker referred to the closer union of the U. N. B. team and the city team in the past season. He also told of fruitless efforts in past years to revive local rugby in the shape of a city team, but it was not until this year that the team stuck together and made a success of it.

In responding, Scotty Clarkson congratulated his team on their sticking together, in the football vernacular and making a success of the season. Mr. Clarkson gave due credit to Coach Egbert Cass for his help all through the season and also mentioned the fine efforts put forth by Royden Colter, the manager of the team. If it had not been for the latter's fine work the team never would have survived its early troubles the speaker said.

Egbert Cass, coach of the Fredericton High School team also responded to this toast. In his address he mentioned that all the Fredericton team with the exception of Hammie Kitchen had passed through the High School. He also referred to the support of the team. He stated that no team would be successful unless given hearty support by the fans. He gave credit to Mr. Colter for his hard work to get the team going and to keep it going.

The toast to Next Year's Team was proposed by J. Bacon Dickson and responded to by everybody. At the conclusion three cheers were given for the Fredericton City Football Club.

### TO COMPETE IN UNITED STATES

**Number of Ontario Runners Will Compete in U. S. Games—Several Races Staged For Next Thursday.**

Toronto, Ont., Nov. 28—A number of Ontario's best-known runners will participate in several races in the United States, next Thursday—Thanksgiving day in the United States. The Monarch Athletic Club, Toronto, will send a team consisting of Al Mitchell, Fred Phipps, Wilf McClusky, Bob McCurdy, Gord Powell, Ted Butler, Alex Burnside and Harry Parkes to Buffalo for the annual six mile cross-country run, McClusky captured this event two years ago.

Fred Sergeant of Galt, Ont., is scheduled to race at Detroit, Mich., while two, and possible three men from this province will compete in the famous Berwick Marathon at Berwick, Pa. "Chuck" Snell, Toronto, Billy Reynolds, Galt, Ont., have accepted, and it is possible that Cliff Bricker, also of Galt, will be a starter. Six Canadians were invited to participate in this event, which is one of the continent's outstanding long-distance runs.

### SPORT BRIEFS

Chicago, Nov. 28—As sound and speedy as ever, Reigh Count and big red Hertz colt, will begin his next journey to fame and fortune Thursday, headed toward England and the Ascot Gold Cup race.

The Kentucky Derby winner and recognized 3 year old champion of America for 1928, will be shipped to New York where he will board the transport Minnewaska, which sails for Liverpool, December 1. He will have nearly six months in which to acclimate himself to English weather and feed before the race.

Jockey Chick Lang who rode the big red head in all his many triumphs will be in the Ascot race.

### To Retire

Toronto, Nov. 29—Following the Eastern rugby final, Frank "Pep" Leadley and "Cap" Fear, two of the greatest football players Canadian football has ever produced solemnly shook hands and announced their retirement. At that time they had been assured that the Regina Rough Riders had decided not to make the trip in quest of the Grey Cup but five minutes later Leadley and Fear had to reconsider. The Rough Riders will find that brilliant pair in action in the national final. But 1928 is the last season for them.

### LITTLE CHANCE FOR THOSE UNDER THIRTY

Paris, Nov. 28—Marriage is for persons over thirty thinks Eugene Brioux dean of French dramatists and member of the French Academy, whose plays treating vexed social problems have made his internationally famous. Boys and girls under thirty have just as much chance of succeeding in marriage as of breaking the bank at Monte Carlo.

M. Brioux does not mean his words to be taken lightly. At the age of seventy his long years of social studies have convinced him that the successful early marriage is "on in a thousand."

### SALESMAN GIVEN HONORS

New York, Nov. 28—After 68 years on the road Charles Terry of Kansas City, 92 years old, has been given the title "Oldest Traveling Salesman" by the Traveling Salesmen's Foundation. He won national contest.

### STANDING OF WESTERN TEAMS

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