

# No Big Nine for Nebraska or Notre Dame This Time Max Towle Still Eligible for Foot Ball With the Cornhuskers

## MAX TOWLE'S CASE IS TO COME BEFORE ATHLETIC BOARD ON ELIGIBILITY

### EFFORTS TO THWART WILL OF TEAMMATES

Cornhusker Election of Captain Awaits Formal Action of the Board.

### TOWLE CHOICE OF THE PLAYERS

Star Player's Knowledge of Game Needed for Leadership.

### IS CLASSED AS SPITE WORK

Sport Writer Said to Have Given Out Interview of Sick Man.

### DR. CLAPPS SKIRTS CLEAR

Is Not Held Responsible for the Present Athletic Controversy.

### BASKET BALL TEAM IS WEAK

After Holding the Championship for Three Successive Years There Now Seems to Be Death of Material.

BY JAMES G. LAWRENCE.  
LINCOLN, Dec. 6.—(Special)—Nebraska's athletic board next week will pass upon the important question of the eligibility of Max Towle, who has been selected to lead the 1914 Cornhuskers, and whose formal election as captain awaits the awarding of letters by the athletic board, so the players can legally choose a captain. Rather it will receive the report of the eligibility committee of the board, and either accept or reject, depending on the nature of the findings.

**Allegations that Towle is not eligible for another year of foot ball at Nebraska are to be investigated by the athletic board...** Spite said to be back of the charges.

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## NEBRASKA AND NOTRE DAME BARRED FROM BIG NINE CONFERENCE

The representatives of the schools composing the "Big Nine" conference determine against increasing the number, thus shutting out both Nebraska and Notre Dame

### BIG SCHOOLS TURNED DOWN BY COLLEGIANS

Wave of Purity Again Sweeps Over Western College Athletics as in 1908.

### KEEP OUT OTHER SCHOOLS

Delegates Decide it Inexpedient to Enlarge Conference.

### TO ABOLISH PAID COACHES

Resolution is Put Up to the Faculties of Schools.

### ALSO STEP ON BASKET BALL

Declare Against Post Season Inter-School Games.

### ALL TRACK MEETS AT CHICAGO

Proposed Coach Rule Applies to Paid Coaches Who Are Not Graduates of the Institutions.

CHICAGO, Dec. 6.—A wave of "purity" such as swept western college athletics last fall returned again in the conference faculty meeting today. The delegates decided it was not expedient to enlarge the conference, thus disposing of Nebraska and Notre Dame's ambition to get into it; declared against post season inter-school basketball games, and referred to the faculties of the "Big Nine" schools a resolution proposing to abolish professional coaches unless they are alumni of the institutions at which they work.

Fear that once the bars were let down the "big nine" would become possibly a "big two dozen," was the basis for declining to admit new schools.

Radical differences were found to exist on the resolution proposing the abolition of professional coaches. Some of the members scoffed at the idea, saying it could never be carried out even if it received the sanction of the various institutions. The author of the resolution was not named. Some of the more prominent coaches, such as A. A. Stagg of Chicago, Dr. Williams of Minnesota and others would be debarred if the idea were made into conference law. A committee whose members are Professors J. A. P. Pryor, Wisconsin; T. S. French, Ohio State; and Secretary T. F. Moran, Purdue, was appointed to investigate funds used for athletics not under control of authorities, described in details as "slush funds." Professors G. A. Goodenough, R. E. Wilson, A. G. Smith were named on a committee appointed to consult managers and directors about schedule differences, as delay in announcements of dates have drawn forth complaints, particularly from Wisconsin.

The conference outdoor track meet probably will be held next year north of the city of the University of Chicago. It was said. The 1914 meet will be held there at any rate, the date being June 8.

The conference tennis tournament will be held at Madison the last Thursday, Friday and Saturday in May.

### Chicago Team Wins Game at Tokio

TOKYO, Dec. 6.—The Chicago team of the American base ball league and the New York team of the National league arrived four days late at Yokohama, the Empress of Japan having experienced heavy weather on its voyage across the Pacific.

So little coal was left in the steamer's bunkers that it was feared at one time it would be forced to make for northern Japan. The captain decided to continue to Yokohama, where the steamer came into port today, slightly damaged. General Thomas Sammons went out on board a tug to greet the members of the teams.

Later in the day the players received an ovation on the grounds of Keio university, Tokio. President Kamada pitched the first ball in the first match in Japan. This resulted as follows:

Chicago.....R.H.E. 5 2 3  
New York.....4 5 2

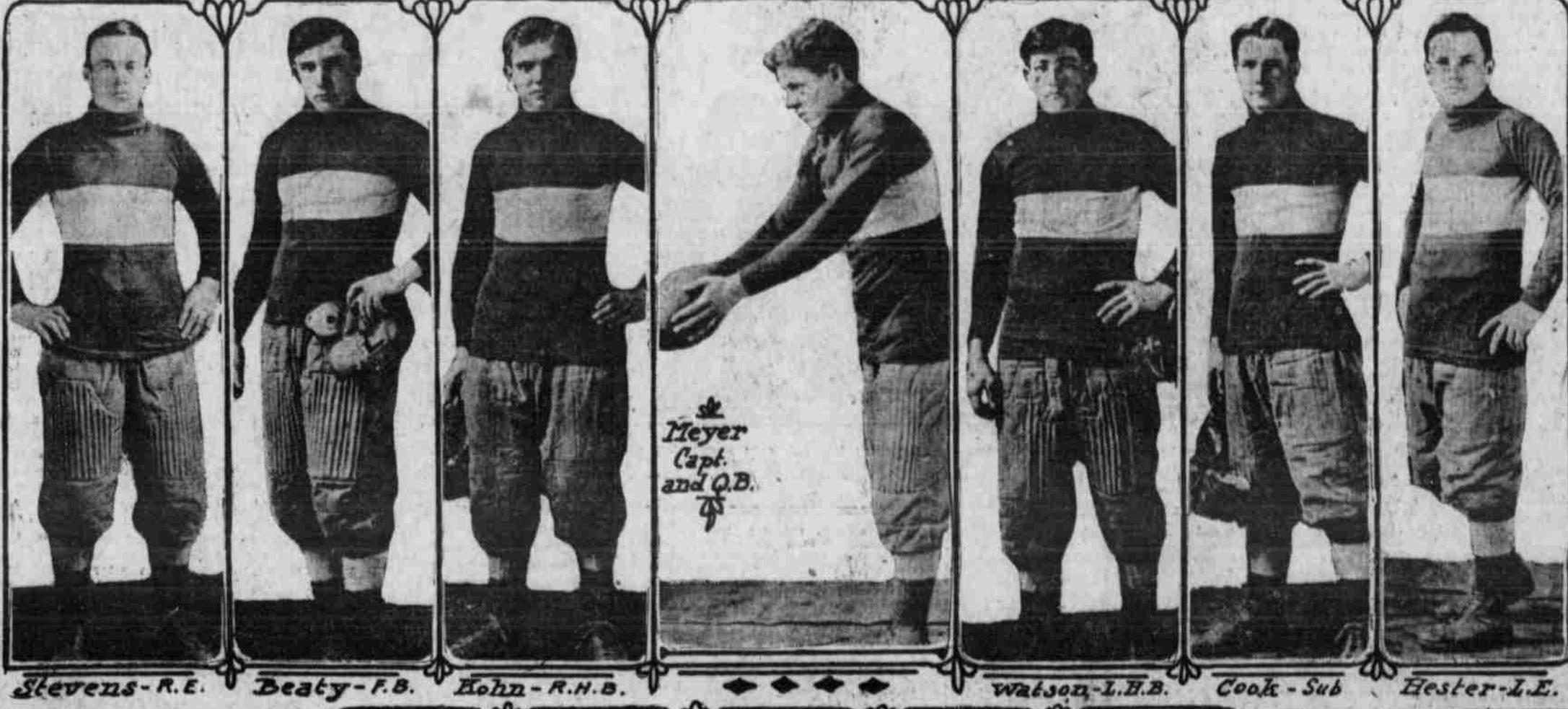
### NEBRASKA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF READY FOR GAMES

The basket ball quintet at the Nebraska School for the Deaf is now ready for games and will play on Monday, Wednesday or Friday evening during the week. A Christmas vacation will cause a suspension of the game during that period, commencing December 23 and ending January 5. After the latter date playing will be resumed and games thereafter are particularly desired. Anyone desiring a match, call Webster 136, and ask for Mr. Seely.

**A Chance, at Least.**  
Big Marver remains in the New York Globe. "The theory that the American league now outclassifies the National in playing strength has received a terrific jolt through the announcement that Clark Griffith hopes to secure Outfielder Johnny Bates through the waiver route to strengthen the Washington team. Maybe the acquisition of Bates is in line with the American league policy to handicap Walter Johnson as much as possible. We will say this for Bates, however, a release by the Cincinnati club ought to make him a great player if he is ever going to be one."

**Next Year the Cubs.**  
This being the season for winter base ball, one is not surprised to learn that the Giants have offered fabulous sums for Knickerbocker. This star first baseman of the Cardinals, who was a regular with the Cardinals last winter.

## Beaver City High School Champions of Southwestern Nebraska



### ATHLETIC BOARD TO MEET

Important Questions at Creighton University to Come Up.

### FRESHMAN RULE MAY BE USED

Selection of Coach for Next Year Will Be Considered and Foot Ball Team Will Elect Captain.

One of the most important meetings in the history of Creighton university's progress in athletics is staged for next Friday evening, when the first official meeting of the newly chosen athletic board will take place. At this meeting questions of far reaching importance to Creighton students and alumni will be decided.

First comes the freshman rule. Creighton is urged by a large number of its supporters to pass a rule abolishing the use of freshmen on its varsity foot ball team. But there are many who think the school not sufficiently advanced to warrant such a step. Those in favor of it say it would remove any obstacle now preventing a game between Creighton and a team in the Missouri Valley conference.

Those opposed to the rule argue that Notre Dame waited until to build up a team of superior strength, recognized all over the west. In addition, there are several teams with which Creighton now competes, South Dakota in particular, which only observe the freshman rule in games where its observance is required by contract. The Creighton management has heard nothing of the proposed Catholic conference suggested by the Marquette management to include Creighton, St. Louis, Marquette, St. Mary's, St. Thomas and Notre Dame.

Selection of a coach for next year also will be considered. Several of the alumni have asked the board to consider Eddie Cochem as a possible candidate for the job. Coach Harry Miller for four years has performed his duty to the entire satisfaction of the school authorities, and it is understood he will be retained if he cares to stay. Miller graduated from the law department last April.

The board will also attend an informal meeting of the team's members at the Henshaw hotel next Wednesday evening. A supper will be served, and letters presented to the regulars on this year's squad. A captain for next year will be chosen at this time.

### Beaver City Team Makes Fine Record

BEAVER CITY, Neb., Dec. 6.—(Special)—The Beaver City High school foot ball eleven made an enviable record for the season. It did not lose a game to a high school team and claims a clear title to the championship of southwestern Nebraska. It was scored against only once during the season. The record follows: Beaver City, 21; Arapahoe, 9; Beaver City, 20; Alma, 6; Beaver City, 21; Holbrook, 9; Beaver City, 21; Cambridge, 9; Beaver City, 41; McCook, 7.

Total points: Beaver City, 187; opponents, 7.  
Iowa Trainers In Hospital.  
AMES, Ia., Dec. 6.—(Special Telegram)—Trainer Jack Watson of Iowa university, for nine years trainer at Ames, is in the university hospital suffering from a severe attack of sciatic rheumatism and lumbago.

### ANOTHER MYTH EXPLODED

Not a Lumber Shover Among Thirty-Five Gridiron Stars.

### MANY TO BECOME ENGINEERS

Furdy, Grand Grand Gainer of the Husker Band, to Be Builder at Beatrice—Norgren Expects to Coach.

CHICAGO, Dec. 6.—A local follower of foot ball, taking to heart the whimsical remark of an eastern humorist that "today's foot ball hero is tomorrow's lumber shover," prepared a statement here today showing the prospects of thirty-five gridiron heroes of western schools, who will be graduated in the spring, and there was not a lumber shover in the lot.

Complete information from all the schools was not available, but the list is regarded as representative and many of the real stars who have strutted their brief span across the gridiron are included. Engineering, commerce and the law claim the majority. The list follows: Engineering, nine; business, seven; law, nine; coaching, three; miller, one; forestry, two; agriculture, two; dairy expert, one; medicine, one.

Elmer Q. Oliphant, idol of Purdue students, who shook off Wisconsin tacklers for seventy yards and frisked Chicago into framing a defense for his special benefit, will not think the grass and overall of the early stages of a mechanical engineer's experience. Bierman of Minnesota; Gallagher, Missouri; Gleason, Indiana; Sidorofsky, Kansas; Agrios, Weidlein, Kansas; Patterson, Michigan; and Gauthier and Gifford, stars of the Michigan agates, are others who will

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## Hundred Killed and Injured in Railroad Collision in Rumania

BUCHAREST, Dec. 6.—News reached this city early today that 190 persons had been killed or injured in a collision which occurred late last night, between a passenger and a freight train, near Costesti, southwest of Bucharest, near the Danube.

### Rain Puts the Soil in Fine Condition

W. L. Derr, superintendent of the western division of the Great Western, including the lines west and south of Hayfield, Minn., is in the city from Clarion, Ia., his headquarters, and reports business fairly good. He says the country is in good condition for winter and the equipment, especially the motive power, the best in the history of the road.

All over Minnesota and Iowa Mr. Derr is of the opinion that the long continued rains mean a bumper crop next year. Coming as they have, the rains have soaked the ground to a depth heretofore unknown. On plowed fields the moisture, he says, has penetrated to a depth of six feet, while in the pastures and on prairie land it has gone down two and three feet.

**Three Utility Players.**  
The Senators have three players left who can fill in the utility position. They are Gibson, Holland and Smith. The latter two are recruits from Atlanta.

**Nobody Wants Brown Discards.**  
The Oakland club has turned Catcher Alexander and Pitcher Stone and Schwenck back to the St. Louis American club.

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### BUSY WEEK WITH BOWLERS

Local Men Brace Up and Record Some Scores that Look Better.

### GOSSIP FROM OFF THE ALLEYS

Men to the St. Louis Meet Stand a Possible Show of Bringing Home Some of the Big Prizes Offered.

### SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK.

**Association Alleys.**  
Knights of Columbus League—Monday: Murphy Did It against Puritan Bowlers, Hoarsehold Co. against McQuillan's Hats, Browning, King & Co. against Hanley Mather.  
Booster League—Tuesday: Beacon Press against Clara Bell, Brandes' Highballs against Elks, Lays against Field Club, National Refining Co. against Chris Lyck.  
Sunderland Bros. League—Wednesday: Six five-man teams; schedule not posted.  
Omaha League—Metz against Wroth's Cafe.

### Metropolitan Alleys.

Standard Oil League—Monday: Polaris Auto Oil against Crown Gasoline, Mica, Axle Grease against Perfection Oil.  
Commercial League—Monday: Rossella's Trade Marks against Brodegar's Crowns, Humph's Old Taverners against Jetter's Old Age, Wednesday, Quick Service against Tracy's Lo Trudas, Frank's Candy Kids against Jabes Cross.  
Metropolitan League—Tuesday: Metropolitan Club against Lester's Carvers, Pete Luchs against F. O. K. No. 23.  
Lithographers' League—Wednesday: Lithographers against Ross' Printing Co., Epstein's Transfers against Omaha Printing Co., Epstein Press against Lyon Engravers.  
Omaha League—Thursday: Corey-McKenzie against Old Style Lancers.  
Omaha Gas League—Friday: Tar Baiters against Dones, Lombard Irons against Liepstaehing, Hot Plates against Intemper.

### Morrison Alleys.

Fairmont Creamery League—Monday: Diadem against Fairmont Farms, Delicia against Liquid Gold.  
Commercial League—Tuesday: Ragana's Pachelbals against Mickey Gibson's, Stora Triangles against X-Rays, Thursday: Frank's Cuffs against Lester's Carvers, Pete Luchs against F. O. K. No. 23.  
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### Garston's Alleys, South Omaha.

Magic City League—Monday: South Omaha Ice Co. against White Sox, Culkin's Tailors against Hinchey's Lads, Thursday: Jetter's Old Age against Ecco Yards National Bank, Martin's Tigers against Uncle Sam's Nuts.  
The local bowlers played up last week and some good scores were piled up. Even the Gate City leaguers jumped in strong and rolled some good team totals; also a few individual totals of the 90 variety. The rollers in the Booster league were hitting them good and as a result eight individual scores above 90 were registered.

In the Omaha league, by defaulting the Lucas team, the Wroth's Cafe team closed in on the leaders. The same condition prevailed in the Booster league, when the Chris Lyck's won their whole series, while the Clara Bell's were dropping one. The Brodegar's Crowns still maintain the leadership of the Commercial league and will probably stay there for a few weeks at least. The South Omaha race is the best of all. Four teams are in the running in the Magic City league, any of which are in a position to head the list on one night's rolling. In the Gate City league the Stars Triumphs were taken down from their

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