

# EPIDEMIC DELAYS AMERICAN GAMES

## Thirty Teams Cancel Their Scheduled Contests for To-day

Chicago, Oct. 11.—Already staggering under the new military regulation, middle-western football was dealt another blow to-night when a score of colleges and universities cancelled gridiron contests scheduled for to-morrow because of the epidemic of Spanish influenza. Nearly twenty of the thirty odd games scheduled were called off.

Reports received at Chicago indicated that some of the games had been cancelled because members of teams were slightly indisposed, others because of probable poor attendance due to the influenza epidemic and still others for the reason that it is feared crowds cause a spread of the disease, despite the fresh air.

Six of the ten teams in the Western Conference, however, will go into action. Illinois will face the Great Lakes Naval Training Station eleven in the most important contest of the day, while Chicago, Minnesota, Ohio State, Pardee and Wisconsin will engage minor teams in games to put the elevens on edge for the "big ten" championship season.

It is very unlikely that "Dunc" Monroe, the sensational running halfback of the U. T. S. football team, will turn out with either the Beaches or Dental fourteens. Monroe is badly needed by the junior champions, and he will stick to his school squad.