

Forward-Pass Rule Scored by Griffith

Hamilton, Nov. 2. — "The Rules Commission of the Canadian Rugby Union did not need to bring the forward pass into the Canadian game to speed it up," said Harry D. Griffith, Master at Ridley College, St. Catharines, who was guest speaker at the Philos Club banquet here tonight at which the Tiger Big Four team were guests. The famous "Reddy" White, reminiscing on football spent some time on giving his views of the new play, and in his opinion the Rules Commission had only needed to revert to the old game of fourteen men to bring about the fast play that the fans demanded.

"There is too much time spent on fancy plays and not enough on the fundamentals of the game, and unless a moratorium is called or ruled for at least the next ten years it is going to bring about the abolition of the city teams in Canadian football. In the United States the game is played by college and high school teams, as there are only ten city teams in the whole of the United States playing the game today. The game today is too slow, and all because the teams spend entirely too much time in the huddle."

In continuing, the guest speaker stated that he was very much opposed to the substitution of players, and pointed out that in very few school games was a substitution necessary.