

# SALT LAKE HAS TO FIGHT FOR PLAYERS

### Wolverton and Jacobs Claim All Men Under Contract to Defunct Club.

### DEVELOPMENTS HINTED AT

#### Utah Promoters Naturally Building on Signing Those They Wanted in for Disappointment—Ex-Owners' Plans Secret.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—(Special.)—Salt Lake will not gain possession of the players of the defunct Sacramento Coast League club without a struggle with Harry Wolverton and Lloyd Jacobs. Dispatches from the Utah city today indicated that Cliff Blankenship would have a nucleus of about 14 men with which to build up a team for the coming season. Wolverton and Jacobs aver, however, that they still hold title to the ballplayers, of which there are upwards of 20, and that, if necessary, they will fight in the courts for their rights.

Whether it is proposed by the ex-managers to sell these players or otherwise use them, Jacobs asserts he is not in a position to say, but he intimates there will be some lively developments within the next weeks that will make the Coasters sit up and take notice.

#### Announcement to Be Surprised.

Salt Lake City, quite naturally, was building on the right to use as many of the ball players as they might care to sign in agreeing to pay \$15,000 for the franchise, and the announcement that there is any disposition to question their right and title will be more or less of a bombshell.

Jacobs' contention is that, even though the league may have had the right to forfeit the franchise, the franchise in itself does not carry the ballplayers, who are still, according to Jacobs' argument, the property of the Sacramento baseball club.

He admits that the league settled back salary claims which were outstanding, but avers that the league confiscated money belonging to the Sacramento club and that this money was used to pay salaries.

#### All Players Claimed.

"We certainly lay claim to all the players who were with the Sacramento club when the season closed," said Jacobs. "There are more than 14 of them. Granting, just for the sake of argument, that the league might have had the right to forfeit our franchise, that does not carry with it the players. The franchise is simply the right to play ball in a certain city under certain conditions. The ballplayers still belong to Wolverton and myself and we will do with them as we please."

#### USING 1913 TEAM IS PLANNED

Salt Lake Manager Expects to Add Men Obtained From Majors.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah, Dec. 22.—(Special.)—Allen T. Baum, president of the Salt Lake City baseball club, owner of the San Francisco team, changed their plans today and decided to remain several days in Salt Lake City to get acquainted. All arrangements for the transfer of the defunct Sacramento-Mission franchise to Salt Lake City have been completed. Plans are under way for the construction of a new grandstand four blocks from the heart of the city. President Baum yesterday, Cliff D. Blankenship, who will manage the local team, said: "All that remains to be done is to build a good, strong team that will compare with the other contenders for the Coast League pennant. Heretofore, Salt Lake City has been the backbone of organized baseball in this territory, and it behooves her to maintain a like record in the Coast League. It will be a benefit to the city and to the Coast League for us to make a good showing."

"We have the nucleus of a good team in the shape of the best of the 1913 Sacramento team. I intend to leave for the East in a few days and will confer with managers of some major league teams and doubt will make several deals with them. It is probable that three players will be added to the Salt Lake team by Connie Mack."

"These deals for the purchase of players will require only about two weeks, and I will return to Salt Lake in that time, judging from present indications. The backers of the local team have supplied me with money, and I will not be handicapped in that way. It will be necessary for Salt Lake to have Spring training, probably in California, but those details will not be arranged until after January 1."

#### SKI CLUB MEETING IS CALLED

Place to Which to Make Trip to Be Selected Monday Night.

President A. D. Wakeman, of the Portland Indoor Ski Club, has called a meeting of the members to be held at the Multnomah Club next Monday night. A preliminary gathering brought out every member last Thursday, but no choice of a place to which to make the proposed club excursion was decided on.

Two locations have been taken under advisement, Government Camp, on the south side of Mount Hood, and Rogers' place on the north slope. A choice will be made Monday night. Officers also will be elected. Several applications for membership have been received and they will be acted on.

#### FOOTBALL AND BASEBALL PAY

Other Sports at Princeton Fall to Make Expenses, Report Shows.

PRINCETON, N. J., Dec. 22.—Football and baseball are the only self-supporting branches of athletics at Princeton, according to the annual report of the Athletic Association, which was made public today. The report covered the period from July 11, 1913, to July 10, 1914. The figures for the football season are not complete, but in 1913, football netted the association \$28,544, while in baseball last Spring \$23,818 was cleared. The \$48,000 from these two sports had to be applied to track, crew and the minor sports, which do not make their running expenses.

#### Policy Loans Not Taxed.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Policy loan agreements between holders of life insurance, and their companies are not subject to the war revenue tax, accord-

ing to a ruling today by Commissioner of Internal Revenue Osborn.

#### OREGON PLAYER IN HOSPITAL

Captain-elect Cornell to Have Operation on Knee.

Captain-elect Anson "Nance" Cornell, of the University of Oregon football team, was taken to the Good Samaritan Hospital last night, where he will be operated on today. Cornell has been suffering with a "bad" left knee, due to an injury received in practice, and as a result it has been thought best to operate on the injured member, so that the stellar little quarterback will be 100 per cent back into the game by next Fall.

Drs. Rockey and Horace B. Fenton will have charge of the operation. While a major operation, the doctors have little doubt that it will prove successful.

#### Homing Pigeon Club to Meet.

The regular monthly meeting of the Oregon Homing Pigeon Club will be held tonight in the offices of President Bauer, in the Panama building. Any one interested in the flying of homing pigeons is particularly invited. The meeting will start at 8 o'clock.

#### ALASKA TEAMS TO MEET

BORLESKE IS ASKED TO PLAY IN NEW YEAR GRIDIRON GAME.

Manager of Juneau Team Seeks Stars for Battle for Revenge Against Hated Treadwell Eleven.

They are going to have some big league football in Alaska to welcome in the New Year. Tom McDonald, the old Washington star, is located at Treadwell, and wherever you find Tom you'll find football. Further, Vincent Borleske, coach of the Lincoln High athletic team, Portland, may make the 1000-mile journey for the specific purpose of playing four 15-minute quarters as halfback on the Juneau eleven against the hated rival Treadwell.

Borleske received a letter from Manager Perkins, of the Juneau squad, yesterday asking his terms. Whether or not the ex-Whitman College star makes the trip will depend on how Perkins takes to his terms.

Treadwell and Juneau are only a few miles apart, and strong rivalry exists between the two camps. Thanksgiving day the miners kicked Juneau, and this second affair is slated to be a bloody battle for revenge.

Now Perkins has gone forth with the money strings hanging out of his hip pocket, and such stars as Borleske, Max Eakins and Mucklestone may be found on the same side opposing their old side kicker, McDonald.

In the Turkey day imbroglio Tom McDonald had in his lineup such well-known players as Carl Wolff, ex-Oregon Agricultural College, and Multnomah Club phenom; "Babe" Sample, who started his college career at the University of Washington and in the 1913 campaign played with Borleske for Tom McDonald's Seattle All-Stars, and Richardson, of the Oregon Agricultural College.

"I hate to make the trip up there," said Coach Borleske last night, "and still more I hate to leave my basketball team, but that practice has been going on so nicely and the season is so close at hand."

"I haven't been on the ocean much and I don't want to take any chances of getting seasick. A fine condition to play football I'd be in when I reached Juneau if I were not myself on board. I wrote to Manager Perkins and told him how things here held me back, but I set a price and should he pay it I will go."

"Ignorance is Bliss; 'Tis Folly to Be Wise."

High School Faculties to Play Basketball Positions Announced in Football.

JEFFERSON High School faculty basketball team has sent challenge to the Lincoln High School faculty squad, which has accepted it through Manager Koehn. The contest probably will be played during the middle of January.

Some of the prospects for the squads know few of the points of basketball and the positions will have to be looked up by one or two. "We hardly know what we will do about it, but one thing is certain, Borleske is going to play half and fullback on our team," said Manager Koehn, of the West Siders, last night.

Captain Borleske says that his quintet will be picked from Koehn, Fabre, Roberts, Carman, former Lehigh University all athletes, Boardman, Marietta and himself, Manager Scott, of the Jefferson High representatives, has not said whom he will select for the players on his team.

#### FLOATING ICE HAD NO TERROR FOR TWO PORTLAND SWIMMERS WHO BRAVED THE COLD WILLAMETTE WATERS YESTERDAY AFTERNOON.



Left to Right—Norman Ross, Holder of Several Pacific Coast Swimming Records, and James Fulton. Inset—Norman Ross, Swimming Around With a Huge Chunk of Ice in His Hand After Having Dived From the Morrison Bridge.

# RULING ON EMERY BALL SOON NEEDED

### Fanning and Pernoll Among Pitchers in Coast League Who Employ Trick.

### SCHEME IS HARD TO STOP

#### Trade Involving Four Players of Oakland and Portland Teams in Progress and May Include Ryan or Davis.

Will Charley Fanning and other Coast League pitchers be allowed to use the emery ball? This promises to become a prime question in the Pacific Coast League ere next April rolls across the horizon. When Ivan Howard got back from St. Louis last Fall he showed it to the pitchers on Del Howard's club and Fanning and Pernoll used it with considerable success. They did not rub the surface of the ball with emery cloth, but nicked the hide with their fingernails. Hub Pernoll made the sphere spin and perform all sorts of convolutions. Both he and Fanning could make it curve either out or in and take many peculiar twists.

Fanning Urged to Drop It. When Fanning moved over to the Imperial Valley Winter League this Fall he was advised to drop it. But he persisted and when his team consistently whipped the Brawley club, the Eastern members of that club exposed him.

Last year when an umpire in the American League discovered that Keating, Joe Wood and other star moundmen were using emery paper on the ball, Ban Johnson promulgated a \$100 fine and 30 days' suspension order for any pitcher caught using this delivery.

#### Question Likely to Come Up.

Now, events in the Imperial Valley would seem to make the emery ball a matter of future diplomacy in the Pacific Coast circuit. "I'm surprised the Coast League pitchers didn't get onto the emery ball early last Summer, remarked Byron Houck, of the Brooklyn Federals, yesterday. "A lot of the Federal pitchers were using it last year. It's going to be hard to stop, too, because one doesn't need emery paper to roughen the surface. It can be accomplished with the thumbnail."

A baseball trade involving four players of the Oakland and Portland teams is in progress and may be announced any day now. Tyler Christian has been renamed manager of the Oaks and his partner with Venice—Mitze and Hettling for Elliott and Litsch—is only a preliminary to the shake-up he has planned.

Neither manager will open up on the rumored trade. Walter McCredie shook his head enigmatically yesterday and in reply to a pointed query said the only men he would like to have from the Oakland roster were Middleton and Murphy.

Christian turned down a deal involving these men last October, demanding Gus Fisher in exchange for Middleton. Of course McCredie laughed at mention of giving up Gus Fisher. It may be that the Oaks are bidding for Bobby Ryan. Another Beaver mentioned for the exchange table is Bobby Davis, utility infielder.

McCredie says he doesn't want any more pitchers, and he doesn't need any, but he could use infielders and outfielders. Big Rube Gardner and Murphy appear to be the most probable Oaks involved. Murphy is the Washington kid brought West by Art Devlin last Spring. He is the fastest thing on earth, next to a hellograph sign, and in his few games at second base here last season looked decidedly promising.

Murphy was called East by sickness in the family last Fall and did not finish out the year.

#### Ex-Track Star to Walk Far.

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Cal., Dec. 22.—Clark Boulware, a former track and football star at Stanford, and who has played rugby with the Barbarian Club of San Francisco since leaving the university, will attempt to walk to New York City from Palo Alto, Cal., within 100 days, as the result of a wager made here today. The start will be made shortly after New Year's day, and if successful Boulware will receive a purse of \$5000.

## TWO DIP IN RIVER

### Norman Ross and Jimmy Fulton Brave icy Waters.

### CROWD WATCHES PLUNGE

#### Swim of 100 Feet Follows Jump From Morrison Bridge—Swimmer With Chunk of Ice Poses in Water for Camera Man.

Not to be cheated of their annual Christmas day dip in the Willamette, Norman Ross, winner of the 1913 Christmas swim, and Jimmy Fulton, both members of the Portland Swimming Association water polo team, splashed for a few minutes in the icy waters of the river yesterday afternoon.

After anointing his body lavishly with goose oil, Ross jumped from the west approach of the Morrison bridge, swam about 100 feet and hopped out on a float.

"Want to take my picture out there in the river holding up a chunk of ice?" he called airily to the photographer. Before that worthy could reply, he dove off the float and was striking out for the middle of the river. Breasting off a piece of ice from a mass that went floating by, he juggled it in his hand while the camera man snapped the picture.

Fulton contented himself with diving off a float and swimming around a bit. A thermometer showed the water to be 20 degrees when the boys swam, or two degrees below freezing.

With Ross' appearance on the bridge in a bathing suit, a large crowd immediately collected and watched the jump into the icy waters.

#### DANCE HONORS CHAMPIONS

#### Columbia Park Eleven Will Be Dined Next Week.

Complimenting the Columbia Park team, 1914 independent football champions of Portland, a hard-time dance was held in the Firemen's Hall at University Park last night. Six handsome prizes, donated by the firm of Frank, Plummer Drug Company, Olds, Wortman & King, Archer & Wiggins, J. G. Mack Company and A. C. Stubbs, were given to the best representations of poverty.

A banquet will be given the members of the successful eleven next week and each will be presented with a monogram and sweater. Sixteen players will be so honored. Following are the lucky boys: Hudson, Vineyard, Frank Yost, Captain George Yost, Wilehart, "Rowdy" Curry, Bally, Maurice MacLeod, Fay Duley, Horton, "Norway" Otterson, Feschel, Murphy, Peterson and Ingram.

#### BASKETBALL MEET PLANNED

#### All Clarke County Schools to Be Asked to Enter Competition.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—All the schools of Clarke County will be asked to send teams to a basketball tournament to be held in

## YANKEES ARE SOLD

### Men to Be Added and Manager Is Chosen, It Is Said.

### DONOVAN TO PILOT CLUB

#### Ruppert and Huston Leave Chicago After Virtually Completing Negotiations for Transfer, According to Story.

#### PHILADELPHIAN LEAVES CHICAGO AFTER MEETING MCGRAW AND FEDS.

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Hans Lobert, third baseman of the Philadelphia Nationals, who has been in Chicago two days, failed to come to an agreement with either the Federal League or with Manager McGraw, of the New York Nationals, and left for Philadelphia tonight.

McGraw and Lobert were together for more than an hour and McGraw was credited with seeking to keep Lobert in organized baseball.

#### HARRIMAN CLUB VICTOR

#### ACCURATE PASSING CAUSES DEFEAT OF WAVERLY TEAM.

Ogilvie Is Star of Hockey Game and Appears to Be Fastest Amateur Player Seen in Portland.

Accurate passing on the part of the Harriman Club hockey players brought about the defeat of the Waverly Country Club representatives when the Harrimans walked away with a 7 to 3 game in the Portland Ice Hippodrome last night.

When the first period ended the Railroaders had the contest stored away 2 to 0, but just to make it good measure they added four more in the last 20-minute half. Ogilvie, rover for the West Siders, was the big star of the play. Four times he sent the puck whirling into the Waverly goal net. He appeared to be the fastest player outside of the professional teams in Portland.

His teammate, Hood, put two across and Center Stewart added the seventh and last score for his side. Miller, Forbes and McVeigh tried their best to bring victory to the Waverly seven, but their flashes of speed were dashed to pieces when they came in the vicinity of this Ogilvie person. Only one change was made in either lineup and that was in the second half when Wilder took the place of Stephenson at right wing for the Waverly aggregation.

The next affair of the Portland Amateur Hockey League will be played in the Portland Ice Hippodrome next Tuesday night with the Portland Rowing Club having the Waverly Country Club as opponents.

Following are the lineups of last night's game:  
Waverly (9): Harriman (7), Foster, Webster, G., Adams, Small, Miller, Forbes, McVeigh, Stephens, E.W., Cummings. Officials, Charles Tobin, referee; Parks Utasia, Judge of play.

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kind of an official announcement, however, met with refusal. Neither was there any definite word as to the identity of the new manager and players for the New York team.

From other sources it was learned that "Wild Bill" Donovan, former Detroit pitcher, and last season manager of the Providence International League team, was chosen as pilot.

The players involved were thought to be Rheg, Boston; High and Pipp, Detroit, and Mills, St. Louis. These men probably will be transferred for moderate cash considerations and a chance will be given to Donovan to figure on trades for other men after he takes hold of the rejuvenated team.

The price for the franchise and players' contracts held by the club has been given as about \$420,000.

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