

DOBIE GETS OFFERS FROM 5 COLLEGES

One Position as Director of Athletics Would Pay \$5000 for Nine Months.

RUSH FOR SERVICES BIG

Business Calls, However, and Hero of 11 Years of Continuous Football Coaching Likely Will Give Up Gridiron Ambition.

BY PORTUS BAXTER.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 23.—(Special.)—Hardly the word gone forth that Gilmour Dobie, hero of 11 years of football coaching without a defeat, had quit the University of Washington than the rush to secure his services for the coming season commenced. Five tentative offers, one specifically received by the tall, uncompromising and aggressive Scot.

Will he accept one of them? That is a difficult question to answer, Dobie himself has not given the matter serious consideration, as he is care-free for the first time in 11 years, and is thoroughly enjoying the sensation.

The "specific" offer, previously referred to, carried with it a salary of \$5000, which is a considerably larger amount than Dobie received from the University of Washington, but the duties called for are more extensive. His title would be that of director of athletics, and he would have to direct the development of the baseball and basketball teams as well as the football eleven. The work would cover a period of approximately nine months, whereas at Washington it was only three.

Dobie refuses to give the name of the college that has offered him \$5000, but from inside sources it learns that it was outside the Pacific Coast College Conference. Most of the letters received by Dobie were along the line of inquiries as to whether he would coach next Fall and if he would consider an offer.

A year ago Dobie felt that the time had come for him to drop out of athletics and take up some other line of work. He not only resigned, but discovered C. J. Hunt, of Carleton College, Minn., who has been offered the coaching job at Washington for 1917. How President Henry Suzzallo and prominent members of Washington alumni finally prevailed upon Dobie to return to Washington is a matter of history.

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It is also reported that President Dugdale, of the Seattle club, was so far out of gear with the ideas of some of his fellows that he decided to give a rip if there was a separation. How things went down is not to the extent of keeping Blewett and Dugdale from boiling has not been made public, but Russ Hall, owner of the Tacoma team, has been much comment made because of the remarkable show-down between the two men.

Outside of increasing the antagonism between the directors of the two clubs, the meeting settled several points: increasing number of players from 13 to 15; eliminating Tommy games and giving the managers more latitude in the contracts with individual players. As might have been expected, the meeting was not without controversy. Guigni accused McGinnity of making remarks that reflected upon his character and integrity, and demanded an investigation. The data that came before the directors were not specific enough, in their opinion, to warrant a decision.

The Northwestern League was not up to its usual standard last year. The Spokane club outclassed the others. Manager Nick Williams always insisted that his payroll was within the limit. Seattle, Vancouver and Tacoma apparently adhered to the rules of the league. After Herb Hester took charge of the Great Falls club he seemed to be a law unto himself. If he observed a salary limit, gossip did not give him a fair deal.

Brailley Gish, who was one of the most famous quarter-milers ever developed in the Pacific Northwest, and also pretty strong with the javelin, has the pleasure of riding with Miss Eleanor Blevins in her record run from Philadelphia to Washington recently. The New York American speaks of Gish as a well-known auto driver, and says that he accompanied Miss Blevins as mechanic. Her run was made in 3 hours and 15 minutes, 35 minutes faster than the best previous record. Miss Blevins is well known on the Pacific Coast. She has won a number of races for women drivers from Los Angeles to San Diego.

HANS WAGNER ON 21ST LAP

Record of Great Baseball Veteran Brilliant Through 20 Years.

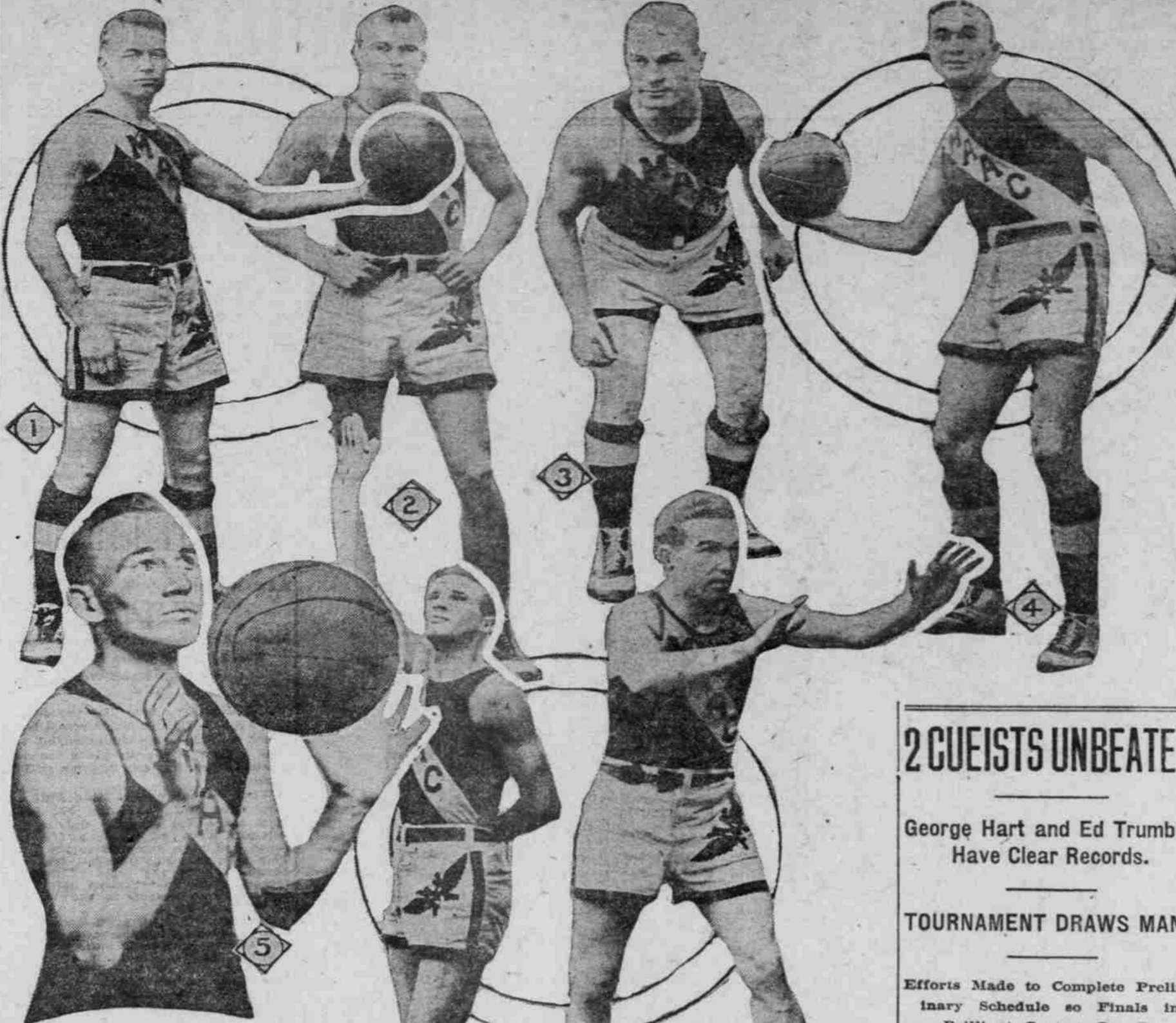
Hans Wagner has finished his first 20 years of major league baseball, and next season will start on another stretch. A generation of fans have come and gone, but Hans promises to go on and on, outlasting all the heroes of baseball except, perhaps, one. The only man who now has a chance to pass or tie Wagner is Tyrus Raymond Cobb, who has a good start. Cobb still has some dozens of seasons to go before he can say that he is truth also is one of the game's great stars.

Here is the record of the great star of modern day baseball, Honus Wagner, of Pittsburgh, in his major league service:

Table with columns: Year, G, AB, R, H, SR, Ave. Rows from 1897 to 1916.

Read The Oregonian classified ads.

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TWO-TIME CHAMPIONS OF THE INTER-CITY FOOTBALL LEAGUE WHO CLAIM THE 1916 INDEPENDENT TITLE OF OREGON AND SOUTHWESTERN WASHINGTON.



Columbia Park Football Squad. Photo by Gifford. Columbia Park Football Squad—Left to Right, Kneeling: Vost, Crowe, Otterson, Parker, Brownell, Trumbull (Mascot), Tillag, Bigelow, Curry, Manson, Standing: Heston, Manton, Manager Nangle, Tintal, O. Knapp, Waite, C. Murphy, Hudson, Watts, Dr. H. M. Patton (Club Physician), Eugene Murphy, Ted Murphy (Captains and Coach), L. Knapp, Deitz, Fuller, Foff, Earl R. Goodwin and Arthur C. Strubling, Who Coached the Aggregation to Two Championships, but Acted as an Official During the 1916 Season.

FIRST SACKER MAY BE CLEVELAND MAN

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NEW PITCHER IS IN SIGHT

Beavers Are Dickering for Twirler Named Leake, Who Belongs to Rocky Mounts Club of the Virginia League.

Walter McCredie, manager of the Beavers, intimated last night that he would land a first baseman from the Cleveland American League Club before many weeks pass.

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Leake was secured by Cleveland from Chattanooga, of the Southern League. He hit 309 in 141 games, and was at bat 501 times and scored 73 runs.

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2 CUEISTS UNBEATEN

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TOURNAMENT DRAWS MANY

Efforts Made to Complete Preliminary Schedule so Finals in Brilliant Contest Can Be Played Next Week.

But two cueists in the handicap three-cushion billiard tournament of the Waldorf billiard parlors have been able to escape defeat so far. There are four divisions. George Hart leads the second division with five victories and no defeats, and Ed Trumbull is first in the fourth section, with six victories and no defeats.

Efforts are being made to have the preliminary schedule completed this week so that the finals can be played next week. There are 10 games yet to be played in the first division, nine more in the second section, eight in the third division and seven in the fourth section.

Friday's play finished five matches. E. A. Schaefer defeated H. J. Meiss, 25 to 23, while at night Carroll Manley Mumford won from George Warren, 27 to 24. Warren playing for 20 points; Al G. Lundstrom lost to J. C. Gillespie, 21 to 27; M. W. Metcalf won over Pete Spahr, 20 to 11, and S. H. Goodland was defeated by Ed Retchel, 14 to 23.

High run for the tourney so far is held by eight contestants, each with a mark of five in one inning. Games are completed every afternoon except Saturday and Sunday, starting at 2:15 o'clock, and at night, starting at 8:15 o'clock. When the tourney proper is completed the two high men in each division will compete for the first four prizes awarded by J. J. Parker and "Dusty" Rhodes.

The standings to date follow: First Division—W. I. Per. H. H. S. H. Sanders..... 4 1 2.00 0 0 J. C. Gillespie..... 3 1 7.00 0 0 Fred L. Bosler..... 3 0 9.00 0 0 C. W. Mumford..... 2 2 5.00 0 0 George Warren..... 1 3 3.33 0 0 A. W. Metcalf..... 1 4 2.50 0 0 Dan DeLohanty..... 1 4 2.00 0 0

Second Division—E. A. Schaefer..... 5 0 1.00 0 4 H. J. Meiss..... 4 1 4.00 0 3 C. W. Dawson..... 4 1 4.00 0 3 M. M. Levinson..... 3 2 1.50 0 2 Larry Talbot..... 1 4 2.00 0 4 J. E. Montrose..... 1 4 2.50 0 4 C. M. Swinney..... 0 4 0.00 0 4

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Consul-General Frederic W. Goding reports from Guayaquil, Ecuador, that the first order for machinery for the city waterworks of Cuenca, Ecuador, has been obtained by a New York firm for \$2,000, which at the present rate of exchange equals \$19,325.

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challenge to any man on the Pacific Coast.

Call for Eddie O'Connell! Mr. O'Connell!

Konstantine Roumonoff is in training for his match at Dreamland, San Francisco, with Ad Santel January 2.

Every man has a hobby. Willie Hoppe's is baseball. If he were not a billiardist, a champion of the game, he would rather than anything else be a baseball player. By the way, when he is not playing billiards, and there is a baseball game, you'll find him at the ball park in the crowd, and you'll see the name of every player of prominence.

St. Louis fashion experts are predicting that red hosiery won't be worn so conspicuously next Fall.

Chicago papers say that "the Cub machine is to be reconstructed on a solid foundation." Going to use more concrete?

Grouchy Gus says: "Anybody that expects ME to give 'em anything for Christmas is entitled to a belt as the world's champion ground and lolly catch as catch can expecter."

The Six-Day Race Game. A six-day race is a funny game; every day it is just the same, and yet

SOUTHPAW A NECESSITY; ST. LOUIS BOASTS ONLY FIVE.

It is a general belief among baseball leaders that a club to be successful must have at least one good left-handed pitcher. The fact that the St. Louis Browns of the American League had five good southpaws last year may be a warning to the effect that it is possible to have too many good left-handers. Fielder Jones numbered among his pitching staff Eddie Plank, Earl Hamilton, Carl Weiland, Ernie Koob and George Slaughter. The Cleveland club has only Coombs, until it acquired Joe Boehling in a trade with Washington. Cleveland, evidently, suffered from a dearth and St. Louis from an overabundance of southpaws.

There are birds who stick it through—they're sure hard up for something to do. Their intellects must have slipped a cog—they sleep in their seats and eat hot dog—a spill or a spurt fills them with joy, and they roar. "Go it, 'ats-aboy," whenever their heads are ahead. And the riders, doped almost dead, plug round and round in the brilliant glare, breathing in the stale and smoky air, until so weak they can hardly creep, they stop for a snatch of dopy sleep. And the spectators, through day and night, make bets and hoot and argue and cheer and jeer and grumble and snort—and they get the nerve to call it sport!

December 15 was the anniversary of the deaths of two men whose names are still honored by shooters all over America—John Taylor, who passed away at Greenville, N. C., on December 15, 1872, and Eugene Bogardus, who breathed his last in Lincoln, Ill.

Carl Sawyer, celebrated funny man of the Washington Americans, has made good in the movies, according to word from Los Angeles, and may not return to baseball. Sawyer was offered a 30-day contract with the Keystone Comedy Company, and if inducements are sufficient may stay with that concern instead of returning to the game next season.

Henry Jones, the Provo, Utah, wrestler, has left for Idaho, where he has bouts arranged with Idaho wrestlers at Idaho Falls, Victor and Blackfoot. He may come as far as Portland in search of a bout with Eddie O'Connell.

Buffalo, the distinctive beast of the American plains, long thought to be near extinction, are increasing rapidly in Wyoming. According to State Game Warden Nate P. Wilson, the animals are scattering all over the state, he says. A herd of buffalo at Thermopolis, Wyo., is in excellent condition.

Coach Fred Hennon, of Montana State College, formerly coach at the University of Idaho, is at Salt Lake for the purpose of gaining the support of the University of Utah in his efforts to establish a college of agriculture in the Rocky Mountain conference.

Howard Hancock, of Shultsburg, Wis., was elected captain of the University of Wisconsin football eleven for 1917.

Baseball in the Laredo district of the Mexico border service came to an official end December 18, with the Fourth Missouri Infantry taking possession of the league pennant and the Bender Hotel trophy cup.

For setting a new record in her flight from Chicago to New York, Miss Ruth B. Law has received a gift of \$2500 from the Civilian Control Board, Aero Club of America, Rear-Admiral Robert E. Peary, Captain Roald Amundsen, the explorer, and many Army and Navy officers and aeronautical men were among those present at the dinner where the presentation was made in New York.

Grain Trading Is Slack. LEWISTON, Idaho, Dec. 23.—(Special.)—On account of the steady downward trend of the grain market, the placing of an embargo on all cars to Eastern destinations by the Northern Pacific Railway and the Oregon-Washington Railroad Company, has caused but little inconvenience in this district. The farmers are not inclined to sell on the lowering market, and the grain buyers are equally as reticent in making offers for grain at any price.

HERMAN HARD AT WORK

DIXIE'S PRIDE WILL FIGHT WILLIAMS ON JANUARY 8.

Match Scheduled for New Orleans, It Is Contended, Will Show Class of Southerner.

Like the warriors of the bar-knuckle days, Pete Herman, the pride of Dixie, has turned to the outdoor sport of boxing. He is scheduled to fight with Kid Williams at the Louisiana Auditorium on January 8, in New Orleans. Herman has opened a training camp in the pine woods of Bay St. Louis, Miss., facing the Gulf of Mexico, and in the same place where John L. Sullivan and other famous prizefighters have trained for prize ring contests. It is only a few minutes ride from New Orleans.

Herman's work in preparation for his championship bout includes tree chopping, wood sawing and rowing on the Mississippi sound. Herman is up at sunrise each morning for a long run along the beach. About 9 o'clock he goes out chopping wood. After dinner he takes a row of a couple of miles on the sound and at 4 P. M. each day finds him sparring with a number of boys brought to his camp from New Orleans. From the form already shown he will prove the best physical condition when the ring sounds.

This will be the third meeting between Herman and Williams. When little more than a novice, Herman fought Williams immediately after the Baltimore boy had won the championship from Johnny Coolin in California. It was a ten-round no-decision fight, and Herman was credited with an even break. On February 3, 1916, Herman outboxed Kid Williams in 20 rounds, but was given only a draw. The papers said Herman should have been declared champion. The stage fright that makes his appearance every contest but making a world's champion will be absent in the makeup of Herman this time. He has no fear of the "Wolf Boy" and is confident of a decisive victory.

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Sounding the Sport Reveille.

BILLY ROUMONOFF, a brother of Konstantine Roumonoff, the Russian heavyweight wrestler, has arrived in San Francisco in the hope of getting matches. The younger Roumonoff weighs 145 pounds, and has been wrestling throughout the Middle West. He came to San Francisco in the expectation of winning the welterweight championship, and as a starter has issued