

ATHLETIC NEWS

EASTERN COLLEGE IS SEEKING SWEETLAND

Negotiations About Closed for Athletic Director Who Has Had Wonderful Success at Willamette.

FACULTY'S ATTITUDE NOT HELPING SPORT MUCH

Salary at Eastern Institution Is Also Much More Satisfactory Than One Being Paid Here.

News leaked out today that a deal was nearing its consummation whereby Dr. G. J. Sweetland, athletic director at Willamette university and recognized as one of the best coaches in the northwest will take charge of athletics at an eastern institution next year. The salary offered is understood to be the reason for the change.

It has been known for some time that Dr. Sweetland had been receiving many offers from institutions both on the coast and in the east. The fact that he had turned down so many inviting offers in the past and remained here led many to form the opinion that he was a permanent fixture.

Dr. Sweetland refuses to talk at present but he would not deny that a large number of telegrams had been passing back and forth between himself and an eastern school and that the deal was practically closed.

While the increased salary is given as the main reason why Dr. Sweetland is planning to leave Willamette, it is understood that the attitude the faculty took toward athletics during the past football season has no small influence in strengthening the doctor's determination to accept a new position for the next season. The faculty passed a ruling that no teams, athletic or otherwise, should travel on Sunday and as a result the Willamette football team did not leave the city last season.

Dr. Sweetland had worked very hard to bring in good men and to build up a football team that would be able to do the school credit and after having the schedule all arranged and the team whipped into condition he found himself, because of the faculty ruling, only able to meet one team of the conference last season. Of course Willamette's defeating Oregon gave great credit to the doctor but that was not all he wanted. He had planned to defeat other teams and was sorely disappointed in not being able to meet them.

He Had Wonderful Success. This is Dr. Sweetland's fifth year at Willamette university. When he took charge of athletics here he found all branches of sports badly run down, a poor gymnasium and poor athletic field. During the five years he has been here until this afternoon. However, a dra-

tic effort will be made to retain the doctor and it must of necessity take form immediately if anything in the way of changing the doctor's determination to go east is to be accomplished.

His work at coaching the teams and turning out such competent contenders for the highest honors in the different sports has made his ability well known throughout the entire northwest and he is recognized as one of the best authorities on sports on the coast as well as being placed by the side of Dobie as one of the two best football tutors in the northwest.

Next year because of the increased supply of athletic material attracted by his superior coaching Willamette will be in a position to make herself felt in conference circles in every branch of sports. It is only a matter of the time for meeting of the conference representatives rolling around until Willamette will join the big ring and will be classed among the best athletic institutions in name as well as in reputation.

Many Improvements. During the doctors stay at the local university he has by hard labor on the part of himself and the students, whose co-operation he seems to have the faculty of retaining at all times, made many important improvements at a very small cost to the student body. The gymnasium has been remodeled and a regular size basketball floor, commodious locker rooms and a big shower bath room added to its equipment. The football gridiron which was in miserable condition has been tiled and by next season it will be difficult to find a field in the northwest that will equal it. A quarter mile track has been constructed entirely by volunteer work and it is recognized as one of the best tracks in the state. Several coast records have been equaled on it. Two large grandstands have been built. Two baseball diamonds have been crowned and when improvements now under way are completed will be in the best of condition. Four tennis courts have been laid out and placed in condition. An indoor track has been built in the stadium, dirt from the basement of the new supreme court library and student labor being used.

Dr. Sweetland, himself has done an endless amount of hard work in getting these things accomplished. He may be found almost any forenoon, rain or shine, working some place about the campus improving something connected with the athletic equipment of the institution.

Always Busy. Had an interview with the doctor been desired this morning he would have been found on the east end of the campus digging post holes for the erection of a fence that is to enclose additions that are being made to the athletic field in order that a 220 straight-away may be laid out and the size of the baseball diamond increased.

After the athletic standards have been raised as high as they have almost entirely by the personal effort of the doctor the students and alumni are unanimous in their desire to have him remain until he has coached Willamette teams with Willamette a member of the northwest conference.

They Want Him Here. Both the students and alumni who have been told of the fact that the doctor will likely not be here next season say they will take every means within their power to prevent it. Just what shape the action will take has not been decided, the matter not coming up until this afternoon. However, a dra-

MILL CITY ATHLETIC CLUB DEFEATED BY LOCAL TEAM

The Mill City Athletic club went down to defeat at the hands of the Capital Business College Thursday night in the fastest game of basketball played on the Mill City floor this season by the score of 23 to 14. The M. C. club were all bigger and heavier men than the C. B. C. boys, out-weighting them by 35 pounds. The game was rough at all times, but the superior team work of the College boys won the game. This makes the fourth straight victory for the C. B. C. team. W. C. McCloud of Mill City refereed the game.

BUD ANDERSON IS FAT BUT STILL MAKES CLAIMS

Medford, Or., Feb. 7.—Bud Anderson, the Medford fighter, left here yesterday afternoon for San Francisco, where he is matched to meet Red Watson in a 20-round bout the latter part of this month. Bud is fat and looks to weigh about 148 pounds, but has been doing some training at Vancouver, Wash., and claims to be in good condition, with the exception of a sore right hand, which he hurt in his workout with a soldier at Vancouver barracks.

B. A. A. GAMES DRAW MANY STARS

Boston, Feb. 7.—Nearly four hundred athletes, including stars from New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore are entered in tonight's indoor games to be held by the Boston Athletic Association at Mechanics Building, Dartmouth, Harvard, Yale, Princeton, Pennsylvania and Cornell have entered athletes. A feature will be the Yale-Harvard-Cornell relay race.

HIT HER ON JAW.

Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 7.—"A right swing to the jaw was his favorite blow and he landed it whenever he felt like it," was the assertion of Mrs. Elsie May Aldridge, in Judge Monroe's court, where she sought a divorce from Bill Aldridge, former fight promoter at Venice. She got the decree with \$500 monthly alimony. Aldridge weighs 200 pounds and his former wife 100.

O'LEARY TO MEET BURNS.

Seattle, Feb. 7.—Johnny O'Leary, the local lightweight yesterday accepted terms for a 20-round bout with Frankie Burns of Oakland. The bout will be staged in Sacramento, March 20.

SALEM DEFEATS ALBANY.

The Salem high school defeated the Albany high school in a basketball game at Albany last evening by a score of 29 to 11. Albany got the first half by a score of 11 to 7, but Salem speeded up in the last half and secured a winning score.

HAP HOGAN SATISFIED WITH PROGRESS MADE

Los Angeles, Feb. 7.—Manager Hap Hogan of the Venice Tigers is satisfied with the progress he has made in signing 1914 team and believes that there will not be a serious holdout in his camp. Signed contracts have been received from the following players: Pitchers: Kiepfer and Griffin, holdovers; Henley, by trade from San Francisco; Decannier, free agent; White, purchased from White Sox; Flaherty, purchased from Nashville; Chellette, purchased from St. Joseph; Edmondson, recalled from Stockton. Infielders: Leard, purchased from Oakland. Outfielders: Captain Bayless and Kane, holdovers. Players to whom contracts have been mailed: Catchers: Elliott and Sterrett, holdovers; Stephens purchased from Buffalo. Pitchers: Ferguson, Harkness and Hitt, holdovers. Infielders: Borton, purchased from Jersey City; Litchi, Hosp, McDonnell and O'Rourke, holdovers. Outfielders: Carlisle, Malone and Wilhoit, holdovers.

JABS AND JOLTS

Some time this winter a baseball player will bust into the first page by announcing that he has not been approached by the Federal League.

Not knocking T. Needham, constable of Stuebville, O., but if we wanted to start a P. G. that's the place we'd go.

Tom Needham has one sure way to stop a P. G. All he has to do is to sit in. You can't play poker when you're broke.

The Indianapolis team, a tall-ender in a minor league, is sold for \$145,000. This shows that there is no money in baseball.

Far be it from us to knock gentlemen who are pursuing a perfectly honest calling, but if we owned the Federal League we'd buy a couple of baseball parks.

By hanging around the great golden West for a few more months Tommy Murphy will learn to catch the elusive flea. And, having learned to catch the elusive flea with a boxing glove, he may one day catch Willie Ritchie.

The Federals glean a lot of advertising when they offer Ty Cobb \$75,000, but gosh almighty, what if he accepts it!

You can't blame Cincinnati for flirting with the Federals. It has supported baseball long enough to deserve a regular team.

Charlie Dootin is one of our best little hustlers. Therefore, it is expected that he will have at least nine men signed up by the time the season opens.

"Baseball magnates earn little money," says one of them. This is perfectly true, but think of all they make!

Charlie Weegham is a game guy and a glutton for punishment, but he refuses to stand by and see a whole league feeding off his lunch counter.

The report that the Yanks will start work early leads one to remark that the Yanks need it.

"Mike Mowrey becomes a Pirate," quotes a headline, giving one a suspicion that he has become a baseball magnate.

IMPOSSIBLE. I do not know how long my life will be. For I have had an awful, drinkful past; I do not know how long the time will last. When Old Man Time will swing his scythe at me. But this I know, and this is real dope: No man can say I was a white man's hope.

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The knowledge among the crooks, too, that the police are prepared to appear upon the scenes of their crimes almost before they themselves are aware that the crime has been committed, has had a deterring effect upon their efforts.

At any hour of the day or night the call may come to these officers. They must be always ready to respond at a single moment's notice.

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mounts also, be absolutely dependable. These important elements were given due consideration by the authorities when Chicago entered the market for motorcycles.

All sorts of unique and different tests were put before the demonstrators, and a selection finally made of the famous Excelsior Autocycle, which is handled here by Morse Z Ramsden, High street, near Ferry.

The Excelsior Autocycle is a superb machine, and is making good in the extreme western states as well as in Chicago. There are many satisfied riders of the Autocycle in Marion and Polk counties, and all are taking pride in the fact that their judgment in selecting a mount has been endorsed by the selection by the great city of Chicago of Excelsior Autocycles for its exacting police service.

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BODIES OF PAIR FOUND SITTING UPRIGHT IN AUTO

Greensboro, Pa., Feb. 7.—The bodies of John McFadden, aged 22, and Miss Anna Lutz, aged 20, were found sitting upright in an automobile two miles east of Ligonier yesterday. Each had been shot through the heart. Miss Lutz's arms were about McFadden's neck.

The police believe McFadden killed the girl and then shot himself but no cause for the tragedy is known. McFadden and Miss Lutz were well known here.

LANE TO SEE GOVERNORS.

Washington, Feb. 7.—A conference between several western governors and Secretary of the Interior Lane will be held here in the near future to discuss the irrigation situation. Secretary Lane sent a letter yesterday suggesting such a meeting to the executives of Washington, Oregon, California, Montana, Nevada, Arizona and other western

states. No date for the conference has yet been fixed.

EUGENE REGISTER SUED. Eugene, Or., Feb. 7.—S. Terpening, one of the directors of the United States Cashier company, for which a receiver has been asked in Portland, yesterday filed suit for libel against the Morning Register here, asking \$5000 damages. The plaintiff alleges that his credit has been impaired by the published statement that he (Terpening) "is said to have sunk a very large share of his private fortune."

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