

# SPORTING PAGE

## HIGHLANDER STARS AND THEIR PAGES IN PICTURES

ACTION PHOTOGRAPHS OF MISSOULA'S BALL SQUAD MEMBERS INTERESTING.

## INTRODUCING THE MEN

Blankenship Leads a Bunch That is Fast and Clever and is Being Trained to Perfect Condition at Hamilton—Something Personal.

And now, ladies and gentlemen, we will introduce to you the stars Manager Cliff Blankenship has gathered for Missoula's 1912 team in the Union association. They are now in training at Hamilton and will be with us in a day or two. The first illustration is that of the old fox, himself. There's no need of going into the past record of Blankenship, for every fan in Missoula has his career posted on the wall. Blankenship is a peppy individual on the ball field, with the head of a real general and the personal ability to shine in real warfare. His full name is Clifton Douglas Blankenship and he's a catcher or a first baseman. This year, it is likely he will do most of the catching. Missoula bought Blankenship from Salt Lake last fall. Here he is:



CLIFF BLANKENSHIP

Chester A. (Skipper) Roberts was with Missoula last season and played a sensational game at first, after being with Helena. He is a Spokane boy and has worked in the northwest and western leagues. He is a valuable man behind the bat and will, it is certain, be retained by Manager Blankenship for duty as a receiver. Roberts can, of course, be used at first base in cases of emergency. He is in the best shape of his career right now and is doing pretty work up at Hamilton. Roberts is popular in Missoula and the fans hope he has a good season. Here is his latest picture, posed at Hamilton.



SKIPPER ROBERTS.

Abe Kemp, baseball expert on the sporting staff of the San Francisco Bulletin, has this to say about Fred Carman, the big boy Blankenship has picked to play first base: "Carman, a catcher of class, is versatile and can hold down first or fill a garden hole. He is regarded as one of the most valuable men Blankenship has." Abe said this last winter, in correspondence for The

Missoulian. Those who have watched Carman perform at Hamilton know that Kemp was right. Carman is fast and a demon swatter. He is a Californian. He came to Hamilton in shape, as he had been playing ball at Bakersfield during the winter months. He will be a sensation in the Union association this season. Here he is, after a high one:



FRED CARMAN.

Grover (Nig) Perrine was Butte's field captain last season and finished with a creditable record. He is a veteran of many baseball organizations and has the head that wing games. He is a fixture at second and is showing class. Nig is a finished player and a mighty valuable man for any team. His experience should keep Blankenship's infield steady as a clock. This is Perrine:



GROVER PERRINE.

Harry Changnon was landed for last year's team from the University of Idaho. Changnon is a big boy, but is fast and he has learned a lot more about third base since Blankenship got hold of him. Last year he fielded with the best of them and showed wonderful throwing form. He was one of the most popular members of last year's club.



HARRY CHANGNON

One of the finds of the season is Joe Tobin, signed by Blankenship for a garden job. Tobin is another San Francisco lad and one of the most promising young fellows turned out there in a long time. Blankenship took him away from a surly array of scouts, all waving contracts. A lot of good men have looked Joseph over and all have pronounced him a corner. He steps into the ball and picks it. His homerun at Hamilton last Sunday, was one of the longest hits

recorded in that town of heavy-hitting ball teams. Tobin is fast on his feet and his habits are good. He isn't very big, but he's husky. Here's Tobin:



JOE TOBIN

Eddie Quick is another veteran. The Saxon-haired twirler was with Butte last year. He knows the game from every angle and has plenty of stuff on the ball. Eddie is better this year than ever and he will have a good season. He can play 'most anywhere, too. Quick is going well up at Hamilton and has helped a lot in training stunts. He has a pedigree a mile long. Here he is:



EDDIE QUICK

Lester Bush was signed by President Campbell of the local club last winter. He comes from Brainerd, Minn., and speed is his middle name. He is a pitcher and one of the most promising youngsters seen in this section for a long time. Bush is cutting 'em loose like Walter Johnson, according to advice from the front, and will probably stick.



LESTER BUSH.

In Carl Zamlock, Blankenship has a man who is invaluable, and that's not a bit too strong, either. Zamlock is a heady pitcher, with breaks and steam of the first class. Besides, he is a utility man who can shine anywhere.

Zamlock is particularly good at third base, outside of the pitcher's box. Although young in years, Zamlock is a player of considerable experience. He played countless amateur games before breaking into the Eureka league in northern California. He shone there and Sacramento grabbed him. He was an infielder then and Manager O'Rourke switched him to a toe-plate job. The first fall game he worked he shined San Francisco out and allowed but four hits. Later he duplicated this stunt against Oakland. Right here Zamlock was attacked by pleurisy and was traded to San Francisco for Jimmie Lewis, outfielder. With Frisco Zamlock had every chance, but his health remained bad and he was released, that he might hit for the hills and get well again. He turned down three offers for this season to sign with Blankenship. Here is Zamlock:



CARL ZAMLOCK

Walter K. Hartman is a mighty hitter and a giant in stature. He's a good, steady outfielder, but his main strength lies in his ability to pound that ball. When Hartman leans against the pill it travels. He was ill when he reported from the coast, but is coming fast now and looks very good. Here's an action picture of Hartman:



W. K. HARTMAN.

On his pitching staff, besides the two gentlemen pictured, Blankenship has Bromley, a fine portlander. Then there is Lyall, a whirlwind by whom the Hamilton fans swear. Lyall out loose last Sunday and there was nothing doing for the opposition. Tom Maston is another in the pitching string. He was with Anaconda last year. Catcher Moore is a husky boy from Emeryville, where he was Lyall's battery mate. He looks good but it is likely that there will not be room for him in the Highlanders' lineup. Just the same, Moore is the goods and it may be possible to keep him. Warren and Bassey are sure things in the outfield. Both are fast and both hit well. Warren and Bassey will shine this season.

**HIGH SCHOOL VICTORIOUS.**  
The high school baseball team defeated a picked-up team of university players yesterday by a score of 4 to 1. The high school scored on errors by Winstanley and Shedy when men were on bases. Anderson had the university players at his mercy throughout the game, only a couple of hits being registered off his delivery.

**HIGH SCHOOL DEFEATED.**  
Friday afternoon the baseball teams from the high school and business college played at the league grounds. The game resulted in a victory for the business squad by a score of 9 to 5.

## M'CORMICK THINKS M'CAFFERTY HAS A FINE BUNCH

MISSOULA DIRECTOR RETURNS FROM PLAINS WITH GOOD OPINION OF BUTTE.

## BETTER THAN LAST YEAR

Dougal Believes That Former Garden City Player Has Collected Splendid Array of Talent and That Games Will Be Tough Ones.

W. W. (Dougal) McCormick, a director of the Missoula Baseball association, returned last night from Plains, where he went in his official capacity as game warden and where the Butte baseball team is working out, under the leadership of Charles McCafferty, last year with the locals. Mr. McCormick is enthusiastic about the material McCafferty has gotten together and thinks that the first clash between the Mountmen and the Highlanders will make baseball history.

"McCafferty," said Dougal last evening, "has a fine bunch, a good infield, a fast set of gardeners and a lovely array of pitchers. In Katora and Johnson he has two good catchers. Both are showing form. Duddy, last year a sensation at third, is in condition and looks better than ever. Jimmie McQuaid, last year with Hamilton, has made good at shortstop and Altmont is there like a duck at second. In Whaling and Brewer, Mack has two first-class first sackers and either one will do. Reugg, traded with Jachs by Missoula for Quick and Perrine, is showing something. Also, the Butte manager has Connolly, who finished the season with Helena on first base. There's nothing the matter with his outfield, either, let me say. Dockstader and Bush are two good men and he expects to use Connolly in the secondary defense, too.

"Jachs, Woods, Drahot, Matoney and McCafferty make up a fine pitching staff. All of these flingers are rounding into shape nicely and will help make the Butte team hard to beat. "McCafferty's bunch will arrive Monday night, April 22, just before the opening game."

Dougal's expert opinion on the Butte team is borne out by a number of Missoula fans who chanced to visit Plains since the Mountmen started training there. Arthur Bishop, former star athlete at the university, said the other day that he thought McCafferty's team away faster than last year's Butte squad. So, the indications are that there will be great carnage when Butte and Missoula meet for the opening series of the season here.

## NATIONAL LEAGUE

**An Athletic Swiftest.**  
Boston, April 13.—Philadelphia batted four pitchers hard for 14 runs today and defeated Boston. Seaton pitched a fine game for the visitors. Boston scored only two runs, those on Campbell's double in the eighth. After a star athlete at the university, said the other day that he thought McCafferty's team away faster than last year's Butte squad. So, the indications are that there will be great carnage when Butte and Missoula meet for the opening series of the season here.

**McGraw Bench.**  
Brooklyn, April 13.—Brooklyn defeated New York, scoring three runs in the first inning on Daubert's pass, Smith's single and doubles by Northern and Downs. Manager McGraw was benched in the fifth inning for criticizing a decision by Umpire Bush.

**Pirates Loss.**  
St. Louis, April 13.—The local team defeated Pittsburgh in the 10th inning today on a single by Ellis, a sacrifice by Oakes and a single by Evans.

**A DOUBLE-HEADER.**  
The Duly's addition nine defeated Low's addition in a double-header yesterday. The first game stood 15 to 3 in favor of the Dalysites. In the second game the Low's boys made a brace and held the score to 5 to 4. Batteries—Dalys: Gordon McDonald and Walter Stull; Low's: George Lawrence and Byron Divers.

Manager Hugh Duffy, of the Milwaukee team, has signed Pitcher Hume, who worked in the Wisconsin-Illinois league last season.

## ELECTRICS WORKING INTO GOOD SHAPE DOWN IN UTAH

"HANDSOME GEORGE" REED IS TRAINING GREAT FALLS TEAM AT MURRAY.

## SIX FROM LAST SEASON

Frank Huelsman, Howard Murphy, Owen Shannon, George Bittroff, "Rube" Hildebrand and Thomas Toner Back—Foster Is Expected.

Salt Lake, April 13.—(Special.)—With every indication that he will have as strong a team as that of last year, which won the first Union association pennant, Manager George M. Reed is putting his Great Falls Electric through the spring training stunts at Murray, a few miles from this city.

Among those in the squad are Frank Huelsman, Howard Murphy, Owen Shannon, George Bittroff, "Rube" Hildebrand and Thomas Toner of last year's club. The youngsters include Kenyon, Misse, Laughlin, Williams, Cosgriff, Schoen, Cahill, Faye, Kirmeyer and Hester. Sam Foster, last year's first sacker, is expected tomorrow, with two other players, including Catcher Frankenberg.

While it is much too early to comment on the possibilities of the recruits, Manager Reed expresses himself as well pleased with their showing as a whole, and doesn't hesitate to state that his team will be in the race and one-two from the first tap of the gong.

With three men trying for the positions, each of whom has demonstrated his ability in previous seasons, the outfield is practically settled. Frank Huelsman, who last year batted next to Ty Cobb in 34 leagues, is rapidly getting into condition, and promises to again prove the hitting demon of the league. He will play right field this year instead of left, and will again captain the team. Murphy will play in the left garden, and this is really his natural position, since he can cover an amazing amount of ground. In addition to rounding into condition in good shape, the little fielder has already shown that he has lost none of his wonderful ability in beating out a punt to first. Steve Kelly, who was obtained from the Moose Jaw club in the Western Canada league, is a catch for the center garden place. He is fast on the bases, a good hitter, and covers lots of territory, and Manager Reed has practically decided to give him the center-field berth. As both Murphy and Kelly are more than likely to bat above .300, with Huelsman batting close to, or above, .400, the gray-haired director of the Great Falls team thinks that he has the best outfield in the league.

Inclement weather conditions have no effect upon the younger blood in the Electric's camp, and they fairly bubble over with enthusiasm and eagerness with high spirits. Rather than take any chances on the regulars getting hurt, Reed is putting the youngsters into the exhibition games, and this will bring their salient features to the front quicker than anything else.

Among the more promising of these recruits are Kirmeyer and Cahill. The former is a twirler who made a remarkable record in independent ball last year, and hopes to break into the professional game with the Electric this season. He is tall and well built, looks good on the mound, and has all the traits of a hitter at the plate. Cahill is a substitute catcher possibility, and is also a well built youngster who looks like a hitter. Misse and Cosgriff are both likely candidates for infield positions, the former at short and Cosgriff for the Keystone sack position.

The regulars, who have been through many a training season, are taking things in a systematic manner, and getting every possible bit of good out of the practice session. Every one of them is looking fine and fit. Bittroff, the "Iron Man," who was the mainstay of Reed's pitching staff last year, looks fully 50 per cent better than when he reported for practice last spring, and great things are expected of him. Hildebrand is already in excellent condition. Manager Reed was the most pleased over getting Hildebrand back of anything that has as yet turned up this season. Toner is another member of last year's team who is putting up an unusually good showing for so early in the season, and Catcher "Splice" Shannon has reported in the best kind of shape. It is expected that Hester will have exceedingly difficult shodding to beat Peter out for the initial sack, as the Waukesha boy is determined to make this the most successful season of his diamond career.

Taken as a whole the Electric's look mighty dangerous, and are liable to prove stronger than last year when they copped the bunting in rather easy fashion. Reed has already announced his intention of pulling with two iron hands instead of one, and has ordered every member of the squad on his very best behavior. Reed makes no bones of the fact that he looks for a hard fight from every other club in the league, and particularly from the Sky-scrapers, upon which aggregation he has cast his eye in anticipation of finding them the hardest team in the bunch to beat. The Electric will play exhibition games with Salt Lake at Cooley park tomorrow and Monday.

—ROBERT J. HORTON.

## FICKLE FANS MAKE BASEST VILLAINS OF OLD HEROES

TIM HURST TELLS STORIES OF THE LACK OF MERCY OF BASEBALL PUBLIC.

## TIM O'KEEFE'S HEART

Former Pitcher for New York Giants Comes Back as Umpire and Loses His Nerve When Erasthie Friends Heap Abuse Upon His Head.

New York, April 13.—"Baseball fans are fickle, but that isn't all," said Timothy Hurst, veteran umpire, referee and sporting promoter, as he took part in a fanning session the other day. "They have no mercy. The bug out in Cincinnati who used to ridicule and abuse Umpire O'Day are now praising Manager O'Day without limit. But if the Reds do not keep up with the leaders just see if these same rooters don't make Hank's life miserable! That's the way it has been going on for years in the big and little cities, where baseball is played."

"I speak from experience, by the way, because after I had run the gauntlet for several years as an umpire, Chris Von der Ahe engaged me to manage the St. Louis team. This was a funny stunt, because the year previous I had been mobbed in the Missouri city because I did not give all the close ones to the home team. But as the manager of the team I was a king until the season got under way. All of the nice things said about me were forgotten and I couldn't pick up a newspaper without burning my fingers. If I had been the least bit sensitive I would have been sent to some retreat, but I made up my mind to worry through it all until my contract was up. Did I kick at the umpires? Bless you, no! My team was so weak that we couldn't have won three straight games if all the decisions had been in our favor.

"The merciless attitude of the fans has broken more than one man's heart. I'll never forget the case of Tim O'Keefe. He was one of the greatest pitchers that ever curved a ball. It was his great work that helped the Giants to win the world's championship in 1888 and 1889. Keefe was like Matty—a public idol. If he had run for public office he'd have been elected. 'Crowds followed him home from the Polo grounds and wherever he played he was a hero. When Keefe couldn't pitch any more he was induced by President N. E. Young to umpire in the National league. He came to the Polo grounds in this capacity and received a rousing welcome. In a grilling battle between the Giants and the Boston, however, Keefe, absolutely honest, made several close decisions against the New Yorks. Before the game ended Keefe was the target for a volley of abuse. He was hoisted and hissed and finally a mob tried to handle him roughly as he made his way to the dressing room.

"Believe me, boys, Keefe actually broke down and wept. The admirers of former days had turned against him in less than two hours. His spirit was gone and he soon resigned from the umpire staff. The same treatment would be accorded to any of the star ball players of today if they turned to umpiring. Their achievements on the diamond would be forgotten in the wild cheering of the home team's success. Did ever lose my nerve while umpiring? Well, not exactly. But some nights I didn't sleep well, because I was dead sore. I've taken on 30 pounds since I quit the business."

## AMERICAN ASS'N.

At Indianapolis—Indianapolis, 7; St. Paul, 11.  
At Toledo—Toledo, 2; Milwaukee, 9.  
At Columbus—Columbus, 2; Kansas City, 1 (40 innings).

## NEW INTERSCHOLASTIC RECORD.

Stanford University, Cal., April 13.—A world's interscholastic record in the high hurdles was made today in the interscholastic track meet held here. Herbert Whitted of the Citrus Union high school, Azusa, Cal., made the 120-yards in 15 1/5 seconds. The former record was 15 4/5 seconds. Whitted also won the low hurdles, was second in the shotput and ran a lap in the relay race. His school won the meet.

## JOHN D. HELPS A LITTLE.

Chicago, April 13.—John D. Rockefeller has contributed \$500 toward a fund to defray the expenses of the American athletes to the Olympic games at Stockholm, according to an announcement made tonight by E. C. Brown, chairman of the Chicago finance committee of the Olympic games.

## ORLET HERE.

Shortstop Orlet of last year's Missoula team arrived yesterday from Snohomish, Wash., where he has wintered. He will join the Highlanders at Hamilton this morning and will probably be used in this afternoon's practice game.