

BOSTON BRAVES SOLD

HARVARD COACH NEW PRESIDENT OF BOSTON CLUB

George Stallings Will Be Retained as Manager and Have Charge of Players.

BOSTON, Mass., Jan. 8.—Percy D. Houghton, the famous Harvard football coach, today, became a president and part owner of the Boston National league baseball club.

The announcement of the sale of the club, which two years ago won the world's championship after a sensational season, was a surprise to the sporting circles.

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The new president also issued a statement in which he declared that it would be his policy to maintain the high standard of baseball at Braves' Field.

NEW YORK MAGNATES SURPRISED AT SALE

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—The sale of the Boston National league club by Messrs. Gaffney and Davis to a group of Boston bankers came as a great surprise to local baseball magnates and followers of the game.

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CAPTAIN EVERS SORRY TEAM CHANGED HANDS

TROY, N. Y., Jan. 8.—Johnny Evers, captain of the Boston Braves, expressed surprise when informed that his home here tonight, that the team had changed hands.

INDOOR ROWING Practice at Eastern Universities to Be Resumed Soon.

Indoor rowing practice will be resumed at the eastern universities supporting crews, with the next few days and until the shift to lake or river is possible the tank machines will be used to prepare the oarsmen for the races of May and June.

ST. MARY'S FIVE TO PLAY SALEM

Independents on St. Mary's High School Gymnasium Floor Tuesday Night.

The Salem Independents, the leading basketball team of Salem, will play the St. Mary's Club five a game Tuesday evening on the St. Mary's high school gymnasium floor.

The Salem Independents team is one of the best independent teams in this section of the state.

Although the large crowd of spectators who went to St. Mary's high school building for the game Friday night were disappointed in not seeing a contest they had the pleasure of watching the St. Mary's five work out.

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CORNELL LOSES GAME.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 8.—The University of Pennsylvania basketball team defeated the Cornell five 19 to 17, in an intercollegiate game here tonight.

PIRATE'S NEW PILOT EXPERIENCED PLAYER

Callahan One of Brained Men in the National Game at Present Time.

James J. Callahan, who succeeded Fred Clarke as manager of the Pittsburgh Pirates, was born in Fitchburg, Mass., March 18, 1874, and is accordingly in his forty-second year.

Percy D. Houghton, who it is understood will act as president of the Boston National league baseball club in the new regime, is more noted as a football player and coach than a baseball man.

Of late years, Houghton has divided his attention between the coaching of Harvard football teams and the Boston stock exchange.

In the draw, Pittsburg lost the man who, twenty years later, was to become its manager. However, Kansas City wasn't to enjoy its triumph long, for in 1897 Callahan was acquired by the Chicago Nationals and there he remained through 1900.

Callahan is a master of the art known as inside baseball. He is credited with being able to get every ounce of what results are possible to get, and it is said his knowledge of the game is surpassed by few men in the national pastime.

One thing that is said about the new pilot is that he possesses the knack of insinuating his own confidence into the meaning of the word quit, and whenever there is a chance worth fighting for, he is there fighting.

Cubs and Ex-Wahles to Make Fine Team for Chicago



Left, Leslie Mann (top) and Heinie Zimmerman; center, Jim Vaughn; right, Schulte

CHICAGO, Jan. 8.—National league experts pick the rejuvenated Chicago Cubs to be one of the real contenders in the next National league race.

A catching staff made up of Jimmy Archer, Art Wilson and Bill Fischer will outclass any other in baseball. For pitchers Tinker will have the men who carried him to a pennant in the Federal league—McConnell, Hendrix, Prendergast and Mordcael Brown.

An infield could be made up of Sailer at first, Rolfe Zelder or McCarthy at second, Doolan or Tinker at short, Heinie Zimmerman at third, with Mulligan as an extra man.

For outfielders Tinker will have Frank Schulte of the Cubs, and Flack, Zwilling and Mann of the Wahles.

Tinker is already making plans for 1916, and to this end has sent to each American and National league manager a list of thirty-three players he would be willing to trade or sell.

The players Manager Tinker would put on the market are: Pitchers—Pierce, Humphries, Adams, Douglas, Scobor, Robbins, Wright, Standridge, Hogg (Cub), Brennan and Anderson. (Whales). Infielders—Schultz, Keat-

ing, McLarry, Phelan, Fisher (Cubs), Beck, Farrell, Hauser, Fritz, Westarzil, Pechous, Weiss and Jackson (Whales). Outfielders—Williams, Allison, Good, Kinsley, Murray (Cubs), Hanford (Whales). Catchers—Bresnahan, Hargrave, Wallace (Cubs).

Those to be retained are: Pitchers—Vaughn, Zabel (Cubs), and Brown, McConnell, Bailey, Prendergast and Hendrix (Whales).

Infielders—Sailer, Zimmerman, Mulligan, McCarthy (Cubs), Doolan, Zelder and Tinker (Whales). Outfielders—Schulte (Cubs), Flack, Zwilling and Mann (Whales). Catchers—Archer (Cubs), Wilson, Fischer and Clemon (Whales).

COACH ARNETT'S FIVE WINS FROM MORGANTOWN

WILLARD WILL DEFEND TITLE

At Least Two Times during the Coming Twelve Months.

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—While some uncertainty exists as to just when and where Jess Willard will defend his heavyweight title during 1916, there appears to be little doubt that the champion will be seen in one or more battles during the coming twelve months.

It height, strength and youth were the only qualifications necessary to insure their possessor the right to meet the champion in the squared circle, Willard's prospects for a busy season would be extremely bright.

Notwithstanding the enormous proportions of the present champion, he is not the only giant in his class for the heavyweight field today consists of bigger men than ever before in the history of the ring.

In the older days of pugilism he would have towered above the average heavyweight like a Goliath among pygmies. Such is not the case at present, however, for there are several candidates for the title who physically at least, class with Willard in many respects.

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In Fast Game Played on the Morgantown Floor by a Small Margin.

MORGANTOWN, Jan. 8.—Coach Frank Arnett's Washington Irving high school basketball quintet of Clarksburg defeated the local high school basketball five in a fast and interesting contest staged on the local high school gymnasium floor here Saturday evening.

The Clarksburg boys outplayed the local boys during the last half of the game winning out by a small margin. The game during the early stages and at the start of the second half was nip and tuck, with first one team and then the other leading.

The playing of Dawson of the Washington Irving team was the feature of the game. His playing was sensational. He caged a number of field goals from difficult angles and at times when his team began to falter, he was always on the job and by some brilliant play or shot would brace it up for another spurt.

The Morgantown team played a steady game but were outclassed by the speedy Clarksburg boys who have not suffered a defeat this season and are out for the state championship which will be decided at Buckhannon in April.

Line-up and summary: Clarksburg. Pos. Morgantown. Morrison. Forward. Peck. Forward. Reed. Forward. Erwin. Center. Dawson. Guard. Field goals—Clarksburg, Morrison 2, Dawson 3, Peck 1, Reed 1, Morgantown, Hare 1, Louden 2, Easterday 1, Fitch 1.

Four goals—Clarksburg, Peck 5, Dawson 3, Morgantown, Louden 2. Substitutions—Clarksburg, Coulson for Peck, Morgantown, Foreman for Hare, Chalfant for Coburn, Fitch for Scott, Fenger for Louden, Shumaker for Easterday. Referee—Hite, of West Virginia. Timer—Cole. Scorer—Hodges. Time of halves—20 minutes.

CLINE KNOCKED OUT BY KILBANE

In Second Round of Ten Round Bout Held in City of Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 8.—Jonny Kilbane, the featherweight champion, knocked out Patsy Cline of New York in the second round here tonight.

Kilbane took no chances in the first round and carefully felt out Cline. The champion, however, cut loose early in the second round, and sent a hook to Cline's jaw which dropped the New York fighter to the floor for the count of nine.

FORTIETH Anniversary of Founding of the National League Will Be Celebrated.

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—The fortieth anniversary of the founding of the National League of professional baseball clubs will be celebrated by a dinner in this city on the evening of February 9.

Invitations will be extended to persons prominent in all walks of life, among them being President Wilson, Vice President Marshall, former Presidents Taft and Roosevelt, Speaker Champ Clark, Governor Whitman, Mayor Mitchell and other state and city officials, all of whom are devotees of the national game.

Baseball men from all sections of the country will be invited. A special effort will be made by President Tener to have all the living ex-presidents of the National League present, as well as the honorary members of the league and former presidents of clubs.

WESLEYAN'S 1916 BASKETBALL CARD

BUCKHANNON

High School Basketball Five Defeats Grafton High by Large Score.

BUCKHANNON, Jan. 8.—The Buckhannon high school basketball quintet defeated the Grafton high school five in a loosely played game on the local high school gymnasium floor Saturday night by a score of 67 to 24.

The Grafton boys were outclassed at every stage of the game, and even the second team scored on the Grafton boys at will. Malone, forward on the Grafton team, played the best for his team.

Lineup and summary: Buckhannon Pos. Grafton Weaver. Forward. Parker. Forward. Shroyer. Center. Hymes. Guard. Layfield. Guard. Score—Buckhannon 67, Grafton 24.

Field goals—Buckhannon, Parker 12, Shroyer 8, Layfield 5, Crites 3, H. Rohrbaugh 1, Grafton, Collins 4, Malone 1, Maderia 1, Knotts 1, Wilmouth 1.

Foul goals—Buckhannon, Parker 6, Stanley 1, Graton, Gough 4, Malone 1, Collins 1. Referee—Jacobs, of Wesleyan. Timer—Lanham. Time of halves—20 minutes. Substitutes—Buckhannon, Stanley for Weaver, J. Rohrbaugh for Parker, Crites for Shroyer, Bunt for Hymes, H. Rohrbaugh for Layfield, Grafton, Knotts for Maderia, Wilmouth for Knotts, St. Clair for Collins. Additional sporting news on pages two and three, this section.

HARVARD SCHEDULE

For 1915 Football Season is Given Out; Crimson Team Will Play Ten Games.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Jan. 8.—The Harvard football schedule of ten games was completed recently. The dates, October 14 and 21, which were open when the other games were announced recently, were taken respectively by the University of North Carolina and Massachusetts Agricultural College.

The other teams which will meet Harvard during the season, beginning September 23, are Bates, Colby, Tufts, Cornell, University of Virginia, Princeton, Brown and Yale the last named game to be played this year at New Haven, November 25.

OSBORNE RELEASED.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Jan. 8.—Wilfred Osborne, who for the last three seasons led American Association outfielders in the number of putouts made, has been released by the Louisville Association club to Atlanta, of the Southern Association, president O. H. Wathen announced tonight.

TO ENTER CORNELL.

Eastern college circles are interested in the report that Barrett, the famous sprinting halfback of the Washington and Lee eleven may enter Cornell next fall. While he would not be eligible for the 1916 team, Barrett would be a football factor at Ithaca in 1917 fully as important as his namesake, who led the Cornell eleven to victory during the last season just closed.

PARK CLUB LEADS.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—The Park Club of Bridgeport, Conn., maintained its lead during the third week of the indoor club gallery rifle championship, finishing the week with a total score of 2,967. King's Mills, Ohio is second with 2,950 and Bucyrus, Ohio, third with 2,933.