

NEWS OF THE SPORTING WORLD AT HOME AND ABROAD

BIG SALARIES PAID FOOTBALL COACHES

Money Given for Two Months' Work Would Run Big University a Year.

GOOD PRICE FOR F. H. YOST.

While Mere Professors Usually Draw But \$2,000 for Nine Months' Work, A Coach Gets About \$5,000.

Football coaches have become captains of industry during the last few years, according to a number of contracts promulgated by different colleges of late. A man who knows how to tangle up a rival team with a number of intricate plays has found that it pays better to be the author of "x-y-z-a-b-1-4" than to have a seat in America's house of lords. In proportion to the time he spends at his work a modern football coach draws from three to four times the salary of a United States senator and about half as much as the president of the country.

A football coach spends on the average two months in looking after an eleven. For this he is paid all the way from \$1,500 to \$5,000 and expenses. The coach usually gets his meals at the training table, and his railroad fare and other incidental expenses are paid out of the athletic treasury.

It is this phase of highly paid professional coaches which have begun to worry the university authorities, and the question has been raised where is it all going to end? Coaching has become more and more expensive as the sport has increased in popularity and rivalry, and the competition has become so keen for good men that a successful football general is now able to "write his own contract."

While the plodding professors of political economy, psychology, history, Greek, Latin and other studies usually draw from \$2,000 to \$7,000 for nine months' work at the larger universities, the football coaches at Michigan, Northwestern, Chicago, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Harvard, Yale, Princeton and other schools easily get forth in the fall and at the end of two months draw as much coin of the realm as a dead professor of this or that chair.

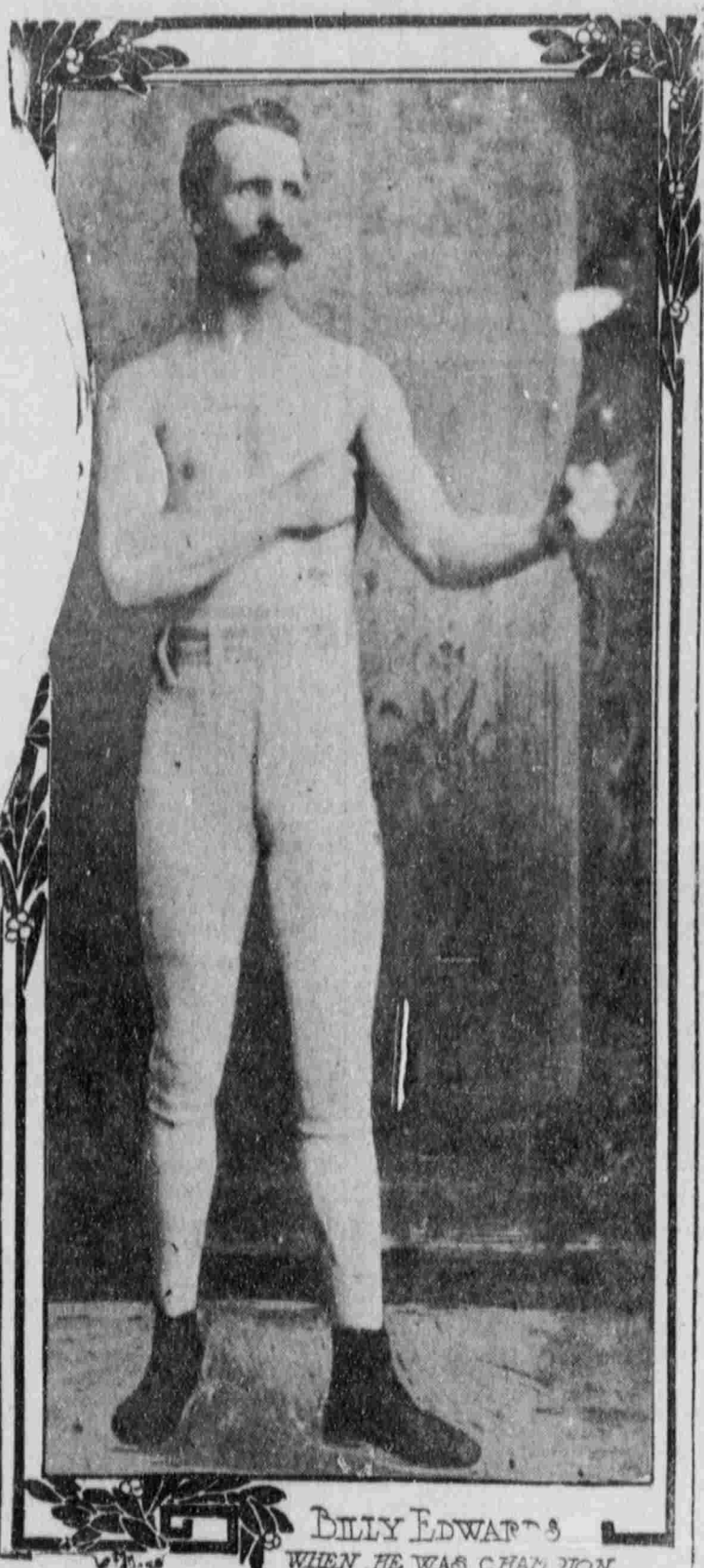
The published contract with F. H. Yost, who will look after the welfare of the University of Michigan pigskin artists drew attention to the golden era of professional football. Yost a few days ago closed a contract for five years at a salary of \$2,500 a year. This will mean about \$1,750 a month, \$430 a week and about \$67 a day, equalling that he will look after the team fifty-two working days.

Before the announcement from Ann Arbor came the report that Harvard had offered "Billy" Reid, famous as a former star on the crimson football, a year for five years, which means that he will be paid about \$100 a day for trying to get a team together which will wipe Yale off the map in just 70 minutes of actual play. He will train the team for other games, but it was the string of Yale victories which caused the offer to be made.

Going down the line there are other coaches just as well paid as Yost and Reid. Nothing has been given out how much Yale pays its graduate coaches, but it has been common report for years that prominent players have been called to New Haven a week before some big game and presented with \$1,000 each for six days' hustling on the gridiron.

In the west the University of Minnesota is supposed to pay Coach Williams even more than Yost is getting for the next five years. At Madison there has been talk of offering Phil King \$1,000 a year if he will return to the badger stronghold. The year in the majority of cases means "two months." At North Western Coach McGinnity drew \$2,000 for eight weeks' work and will get \$3,000 next year. At the University of Chicago Coach A. A. Stagg is in receipt of something like \$4,000, but his work carries him through the entire year, and he is considered to be the hardest working coach in the country. The University of Illinois, while engaging professional coaches, paid in the neighborhood of \$3,000. When Foster Sanford coached Columbia he was in receipt of \$5,000 for each season. Carl Williams of the University of Pennsylvania is popularly supposed to have the same income from his football coaching. Innumerable smaller colleges have pay rolls for coaches of from \$500 to \$3,000. It has been estimated that the total amount of money paid out for football coaching in two months would pay the yearly expenses of the biggest university of the land.

FORMER WORLD'S CHAMPION



BILLY EDWARDS WHEN HE WAS CHAMPION.

Billy Edwards is a name but slightly known to the younger followers of the art of self-defense, but twenty years ago it was a name to conjure with. Edwards was the light-weight champion and one of the hardest fighters of his day.

GOOD SUPPORT MAKES PITCHERS.

"Support has a great deal to do with the record that a pitcher makes. McGinnity and Mathewson are hailed as the two greatest pitchers the game ever has known, because they won so many games for New York this season; but the fact remains the same that if they had not had the best of support and had been in the hands of a less shrewd manager than John McGraw they might have been regarded as only ordinary twirlers this season." So says Pitcher Mike O'Neill in the Sporting News.

"It is only two or three years since both Mathewson and McGinnity performed in an ordinary manner, so far as securing victories is concerned. Time and time again have I seen one or the other of them hammered all over the

lot and lose game after game, principally because they lacked intelligent and well hitting support.

"In those days they were supported by players who did not possess the intelligence to study the opposing batsmen, and the result was that hits that should have been eaten up went safe. At bat the team that supported them was equally deficient in good qualities and the result was a dearth of runs.

"The combination made the pitchers look like ordinary twirlers instead of the stars that they are now with a brilliant team behind them. Take Frank Hahn, for instance. He has not made a good winning record this season because he has not had proper support. "I, myself, have lost a majority of my games, yet my opponents have not averaged three runs to a game."

OGDEN IS NOT DEAD.

Junetion City Fans Anxious to Get Into P. N. League.

That the baseball fans of Ogden are interested in the outlook for next season, is plainly evident from the following, published by the Journal of that city:

"The prospects of good baseball in Ogden for next year are brighter at the present time than they have been for some time. While it is early to predict just what is in store in the shape of a league berth for Ogden, the outlook is good, both for a strong league and for a strong team. Salt Lake, Butte and Spokane are all talking baseball and as these towns are now considered the backbone of the Pacific National, it is a certainty that there will be something doing in the very near future.

It is a well known fact that Ogden can secure a franchise in the league if she desires it, as the officials are already considering Ogden as one of the cities to make up next season's league. President Lucas writes from Spokane that he and Charley Kelly will shortly visit Ogden and Salt Lake, at which time he hopes to bring good news regarding next year's circuit. He will stop at Boise and Butte and consult with the franchise owners there and perhaps visit a couple of other towns on his way down. As soon as they have visited the desirable towns they will call a meeting of representatives from the teams already in the league and those desiring to join. Now, would it not be well for Ogden enthusiasts to call a meeting and consider the proposition so that when the meeting at Salt Lake is held they can send a representative and demonstrate that Ogden is not yet "a dead one?" If matters are postponed until much later in the season Ogden will fare as did Salt Lake last season. They waited until other cities had already signed a team composed of the pick of the best men in this section of the country with the result that they brought up the tail end of the race during the entire season.

They have grown wiser, however, and have signed the "Old Chief" Charley Kelly, to pilot the team and the latter has his strings scattered all over the country and is signing men every day.

The local men have been playing fine ball during the past season and are already considering flattering offers from several teams. Why not get down to business and retain them at home? Let some influential men call a meeting and elect a manager to look after all affairs. Dad Gilmin, the veteran manager, is still in the city. Place him in charge and Ogden will be assured of a top-notch team. In the event that Dad Gilmin would not accept, what's the matter with Buck Weaver, the old and successful manager of the Milwaukee Western leaguers? Buck

can be had for the asking. There are several other live managers who are capable of furnishing Ogden with a good team. The sooner Ogden gets down to business the better are her chances.

OLD LEAGUE CONTINES.

Chances Are That Pacific National Will Have Two More Clubs.

The action of the directors of the Salt Lake Baseball club in making an early start for next season, has been the means of stirring up the fans of other cities.

The "hurry up" spirit has struck Ogden, Boise, Butte and Spokane, and especially the latter city, as is made evident by the following from the Spokane Spokesman-Review:

"Now that the coast league magnates have decided not to admit Spokane, the baseball atmosphere of the Pacific National league is beginning to clear up, and everything points to the continuance of the old league, with possibly two more clubs added.

"President W. H. Lucas, who returned to Spokane yesterday, will call a meeting of the presidents of the Pacific National league to be held in Spokane some time in January, at which time it is thought a schedule for a four or six team league will be made out.

President Lucas discredits the story that Walter Wilmet is trying to form a Utah-Montana league. Such a league,

BAN JOHNSON HAS HIS LITTLE SAY.

President of American League Criticizes Magnates of Nationals.

ABOUT PAST SEASON GAMES.

Because of 154 Game Schedule He Thinks They Wist to Sidestep Contests for World's Championship.

Ban Johnson, the noted baseball king of the American league, doubts the sincerity of the magnates of the National league with reference to the schedule of 154 games, referred to recently by the "News." Johnson can not be persuaded that the Nationals are at all anxious for a post season series, because of the schedule adopted and the fact that the National's season ends Oct. 8.

"The National league," says Mr. Johnson, "by declaring for a regular season that will run until at least Oct. 8, imperils the chances of completing a world's champions series. The contracts of the players run only until Oct. 15, and it wouldn't be possible to play a series long enough to determine the real merits of the contesting teams in the time left between the close of the season and Oct. 15. At least nine games should be played to decide a series of such importance, and there would be no chance to play that many games with a 154 game schedule, which the National league has declared for."

"It appears as though the National is still unwilling to play the series. They refused this year and took an awful roasting from one end of the country to the other for declining to play. It looks to me now as though the National league magnates are again trying to stall off such a series by making their schedules of such length that a series can't be played.

"Mr. Hart of the Chicago Nationals says he is in favor of a series of seven games. There are exactly seven days between the close of the season and the day of the expiration of the players' contracts. In all probability in cities where Sunday ball is played the season will close on Oct. 8, all right, but in other towns the last games will be played the next day, the 9th.

"Suppose, then, Cincinnati should win the National league pennant in 1905 and Boston should again carry off the American league flag. If the Bostonians were to play the first series in Cincinnati they couldn't possibly get there to play before the 11th. By playing all the games in one town only five games could be played. But Boston wants to see half of the contests, and the teams couldn't play in one of those towns one day and in the other the day after.

"October is uncertain for baseball weather and rain and cold would likely necessitate the postponement of more than one of the games. That was the case during the Boston-Pittsburgh series in 1903, and those games were played several days earlier than a long schedule will permit the coming year. When it comes up to Oct. 15, the days of the expiration of the players' contracts, there will be more trouble. In St. Louis this year the National league players refused to continue their series with the American league after their contracts had expired unless they received all the gate receipts.

"Unless next season's games are played before the playing contracts expire no one but the players will do. If the men on one team demand all the receipts their employer

might get in a tangle with them, and the result would be simply the inability to play the games.

SQUABBLE ABOUT DATES.

When and Where Events in Western Jockey Club Takes Place.

It seems that the Western Jockey club is very aware of its own power in the squabbling with Congress and the world's champion wrestler. Now, Jeff comes back at the mat artist with the following:

All I can say is that the world knows just where I stand on the fighting question. I have been and am still willing to meet any man in the world that has a claim to my attention. If Gotch wants to fight me let him go and whip Marvin Hart or some other good heavyweight, and then let him go and whip another and then still another, and when he has done all this I will be ready to talk business.

The public are not all dead. They are not asleep, and you can't fool them all the time. It costs me a great deal of money to train, and I am not going to tie myself up in a match until I am convinced that the public takes enough interest in the same to attend.

Crescent City, Jan. 2 to March 11.
New Louisiana, March 12 to March 18.
Hot Springs, Jan. 7 to Feb. 11.
Oakland, Hot Springs, Feb. 13 to March 3.
Little Rock, March 26 to March 25.
Memphis, March 27 to April 19.
Nashville, April 15 to May 3.
Knoxville, April 16 to May 19.
Worth, April 29 to May 26.
Kansas City, April 27 to May 29.
Lexington, May 4 to May 10.
Louisville, May 11 to May 26.
Latonia, May 27 to June 9.
Hawthorne, May 27 to June 9.
Delmar, May 26 to June 2.
Harlem, June 10 to June 22.
Detroit, June 21 to July 15.
St. Louis, June 3 to Sept. 2.
Indianapolis, June 24 to July 8.
Washington Park, June 24 to July 22.
Hawthorne, July 24 to Aug. 5.
Harlem, Aug. 7 to Aug. 19.
Hawthorne, Aug. 21 to Sept. 2.
Detroit, Sept. 2 to Sept. 16.
Harlem, Sept. 4 to Sept. 16.
Delmar, Sept. 4 to Oct. 31.
Chicago Jockey Club, Sept. 18 to Sept. 25.
Louisville, Sept. 25 to Oct. 7.
Harlem, Sept. 28 to Oct. 6.
Kansas City, Sept. 30 to Oct. 23.
Worth, Oct. 6 to Nov. 2.
Latonia, Oct. 21 to Nov. 18.
Memphis, Nov. 15 to Nov. 30.
Crescent City, Nov. 15 to Dec. 30.

SKATERS ARE HAPPY.

Hockey Races Are Now Being Arranged For at Hinks.

Managers of the various skating rinks in the city, as well as skating enthusiasts, were made happy during the week because of the continued good, cold weather. There has been little or no good skating here this season until this week, but now the ice is strong, firm and smooth. Recent freezing spells have given the rink managers a chance to make new ice and prepare for the contests of speed, skill and endurance that are sure to come off. If the cold weather continues, hockey and skating contests will be pulled off, and enthusiasts will get their fill of the sport.

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JEFFRIES REPLIES TO FRANK GOTCH.

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It cost me \$10,000 to train and when I settled up everything I had very little left. I would rather go on the road in "Dave Crockett" than train hard for weeks and not get anything for it when the money there is in it. I might as well be candid as otherwise. I am getting used to being challenged, and hardly go to a town that I am not asked why don't I fight this fellow or that fellow. Some people seem to think all a man has to do to get a match with me, and incidentally several thousand dollars, is to challenge me and I will immediately accept.

What Delaney says about me retiring is true. Unless some available fellow shows up I am going to retire and let the second raters fight it out among themselves.

This man Gotch may be a great man on the mat. If he can do anything near as well in the ring I will give him the match he seems to crave for. Let him meet some of the heavyweights and I will keep my eye on him.

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Dr. Wende Says the Grippe Epidemic is Beyond His Control, You Can Prevent It.

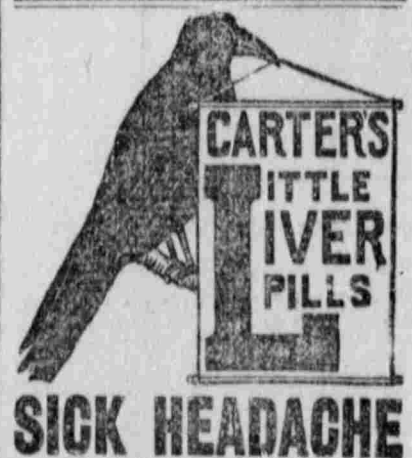
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