CHAMPIONS
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NORTHWEST
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ATHLETICS
FOOTBALL
Football

Hats off to the best team Montana ever had and our congratulations to its members.

BUTTE RAMBLERS

The first game of the season was with the "Ramblers" from Butte. The "Ramblers" were an independent team made up of high school and college stars. Although the "Independents" fought gamely, we scored at will and when the final whistle blew the "Independents" were defeated by the decisive score of 87 to 0. This was but a start of our march to victory.

W. S. C.

On October 6th Montana met its hitherto undefeated rivals, the team from Washington State College. It was a game that will be well remembered by every Montana student. Up to this game the Bruins had never defeated a team from Pullman. But this finally broke the jinx, put a "ban" to the long list of victories which the teams from Pullman have won. It showed that Montana had a team worthy of its colors.

The game was football from whistle to whistle. The backs and the linemen were in the game every minute. While the line opened large holes, the backs plunged through for substantial gains, and again skirted the ends when line bucks failed. On defense Montana was strong enough to withstand the onslaught of the Washington backs and try as they did the "Pullmanites" could not pierce our secondary defense for many gains. Fighting desperately until the last, our opponents could not overcome the lead which the Grizzlies made, having registered ten points while Washington State had failed to score.
The first trip of the season was taken October 23, when Montana went to Moscow to play Idaho University. The day of the game was anything but ideal for football. As a result the combination of rain and "Palouse" gumbo made scoring impossible and Montana had to be satisfied with a tie score of 0 to 0.

The open game was an impossibility, as far as open football was concerned, so both teams resorted to the old style plunging game. Punts when attempted averaged but seven yards for either team. The ball itself was covered with mud, and the players were additionally handicapped by from forty to fifty pounds of mud, per man, clinging to their persons. For sixty minutes the ball see-sawed between the two teams, a player now and then making first down, but they were far between. Our secondary defense stopped the onslaught of Idaho, meeting their plays on the line of scrimmage and checking all progress of the ball. This was a most unsatisfactory game.

The Bruins depended for most of their gains on straight football and this was all that was necessary to win the game. Time after time the Grizzlies would make long end runs which were followed up by off-
tackle plays. The speed and interference of the back field was marvelous, the work of these men featured the offense of the Bruins. Our line was like a stone wall on the defense when the ball was in the possession of Utah.

At the final whistle Montana had run a score of 32 to 0 and the team was ready to begin the grind for the big game of the year.

MONTANA AGGIES

On November 6th the battle of the Titans was staged. The University of Montana and the College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts were both represented on the gridiron this day by the best teams that had ever worn their respective colors. The Aggies had come to Missoula determined to wipe out previous defeats and to win the state championship, which position would rank their team as among the first of the Northwest. But they reckoned without the team representing the University. Twenty-nine tells the whole story.

Crushed by a better team, met by plays which they at times could not fathom, or stop, and thrown back by a defense on which they had not planned, the Aggies returned to their own community knowing that they had met the best football team that had ever represented the University.

It was a game that will never be forgotten. Shortly after the kick-off the University scored a touchdown, but the lead was a short one as the Aggies came back and by straight football driven by their splendid leader Romney, tied the score. After this the game was over for the Aggies, their only other score thereafter being a place-kick.
The Bruins came back after the touchdown had been made against them and showed the real power of the team. Time and again they advanced the ball down the field, it was the combined effort of every player that won the day. Captain Owsley, Clarke, Benz, Daems, Streit, Keeran, Simpkins, Sheridan, Robertson, Vance, Burris and Sanderson were giants. "Montana must win" and win they did. If the team from Bozeman had been the best in the West that day Montana would still have been returned the victor, for the Montana fight and spirit were dominant on the field and in the grandstand.

It was the greatest victory of the year, and one worthy of such a team, for its opponents were of no mean caliber.

NORTH DAKOTA AGGIES

On November 13th the team from Fargo came to Missoula. For the first time in the history of our institution that we met a team from so far east.

It was a poor day for a football game, the field being wet and muddy, and the Grizzlies lacked their fighting spirit throughout the game. The game was slow and frequently the "Flickertales" had to stop and discuss the penalties with the officials before they were satisfied. The only thing spectacular about the game was the long end runs and the short off-tackle plays. It was impossible for the Dakotas to stop our interference when once it formed, until a substantial gain had been made, Montana's line had little trouble in stopping the visitors' onslaught.

Thirteen to nothing tells the tale of a slow and uninteresting football game.
GONZAGA

On Thanksgiving day Montana's team went to Spokane to play the last game of the season. "A thousand per cent" was the cry when the Bruins left. To win this game meant a clean record. It was a perfect day for such a game and Montana's warriors showed that every member of the squad was a real football player.

The "Turks" were unable to cross Montana's line by any route, even their perfected forward passes failed. The Bruins amassed nineteen points during the course of the sixty-minute tussle. But the game was by no means a walkaway; it was a hard-fought battle. The old "Irish" fight was opposed to Montana's efforts every minute of play.

In this game some of our reputed players showed that their reputations were the real thing. Captain Owsley in the last game of his collegiate career was forced to leave the contest with a broken rib, but while he was in the fray Gonzaga knew that Montana had a captain worthy of her team. Clarke at end, broke up play after play that the Turks started and showed them a bit about the receiving end of the forward-passing game that they had overlooked. He was always down on punts ready to "smear" the deep field man. Robertson at quarterback showed himself to be the best field general in the northwest and his return of punts was the sensational features of a remarkable game.

In defense Montana's line was impregnable and the backfield broke up the much-heralded passes of the Gonzagans. Our interference was a timed machine, well organized, all playing together and getting their man. The Grizzlies skirted the "Turks" ends like one
man, a combined unit and to check such onslaught was out of the question. It was a good, big team, pitted against a good, little team. Try as they did Gonzaga could not stop us. The game was a fitting close to the most successful season in the history of football at the STATE SCHOOL OF MINES.

On November 20th the battle of Waterloo was refought. But Napoleon Heilman and Field Marshall Nisson sent only their weaker detachment against the enemy. When the Miners lined up for the start of the game they did not face Montana’s best team, as the second string men were used exclusively in their defeat. The second team worked hard and endeavored to make the first squad, who were on the side lines, look like scrub, but it was useless. The many fumbles because of the slippery ball, coated with mud, and the numerous water pools scattered here and there on the field, made the game slow. The feature of greatest interest was the sideline talk. To see a player go slipping and sliding in a mud puddle brought mirth and joy to the spectators, but Montana’s seconds brought victory to the University and the Miners were sent away on the short end of a 14 to 0 score.
LINE-UP

Streit ........................................ Center
Daems ........................................ Left Guard
Kerran ......................................... Right Guard
Bentz ........................................... Right Tackle
Guerin ......................................... Left Tackle
Clark ............................................ Left End
Sheridan ...................................... Right End
Owsley ......................................... Right Half Back
Vance .......................................... Left Half Back
Burris .......................................... Fullback
Robinson ..................................... Quarterback

Substitutes—Gault, Sanderson, Scherek, Simpkins.
1.010 SENTINEL

SCORRSES

U. of M. 87........................................Butte Ramblers 0
U. of M. 10........................................Washington State College 0
U. of M. 0........................................Idaho 0
U. of M. 32........................................Utah Aggies 0
U. of M. 29........................................M. S. C. 9
U. of M. 13........................................North Dakota 0
U. of M. 19........................................Gonzaga 0
U. of M. (second team) 14.....................M. S. S. M. 0

Nisson (Coach)

Heilman (Coach)
BASKETBALL
Basketball

SCORES

Montana .......................... 56 Wesleyan ................................................. 24
Montana ................................ 48 Kalispell Y. M. C. A. .................. 17
W. S. C. .............................. 27 Montana ................................................. 24
W. S. C. ................................ 27 Montana ................................................. 22
Utah University ...................... 27 Montana ................................................. 25
Montana ................................ 33 M. S. C. .................................................... 25
M. S. C. ................................ 29 Montana ................................................. 27
Illinois Athletic Club ............... 47 Montana ................................................. 31

The basketball season of 1914-1915 left the University of Montana undoubtedly the champions of the state in athletics. The first two games were easy, as is shown by their scores, and the boys "lay down" a bit on their jobs. Then Washington State College came along, and despite consistent teamwork and hard fighting, Montana was defeated. In the Utah game the same thing happened, in spite of the cheering of the combined student body, chamber of commerce, and legislative assembly.

Then came our friends from across the way, and they went home defeated to the tune of 33 to 25, and great was the joy in Missoula. In the return game luck was against Montana, and in the last few minutes of play M. S. C. forged two points ahead. However, by refusal to play again, and by comparative scores, Montana State forfeited all rights to the state championship. In the last game of the season, Montana showed what she could do against real "world-beaters," the Illinois Athletic Club's crack team. The boys did their best, and though no one expected them to win, they played a good final game.
The season's lineup was as follows:

- Sheridan ................................................................. Center
- Cummins, Flint ...................................................... Forwards
- Crawford (Capt.), Robertson, Clark ....................... Guards

THE SQUAD
The University Track Team is the undisputed champion of the state for the season of 1914. After being decisively beaten by Washington State College, and overwhelmingly defeated by the University of Idaho’s crack team, the Varsity “came back” and annexed the state championship in the annual Triangular meet against Montana State College and the School of Mines.

A review of the season’s work shows that Montana had the best track team in its history. Craighead broke the state record in the javelin, the shot-put and the discus. Owsley broke his own state record in the broad jump, clearing 21 feet 10 inches. Brown tied Bob Cary’s record of 22 3-5 seconds in the 220-yard dash that stood for eight years.

Despite poor training facilities, a lack of funds, and no track whatever to train on, the University will have a team of double strength for the season of 1915. It is certain that some state records will fall in the dual meet with Montana State College. Jones is sure to lower the half-mile record of 2:06 2-5, held by Ingram. Bentz and Curran are both throwing the shot two feet over the state record. Wolfe has cleared the bar at 5 feet 10 inches several times in practice, while Higgins and Byron are close in. Prescott and Lansing are doing nearly 12 feet in the pole vault. Sheedy consistently hurls the javelin over the record. With the addition of the new 220-yard straight-way track the 220-yard record should be lowered. With an even break in luck Coach Nissen will turn out one of the best all around track teams ever produced in the University of Montana.

**Triangular Meet**

100-yard dash—Brown, Montana, first; Stanley, Montana, second; Jolley, Aggies, third. Time: 10 3-5 seconds.

880-yard dash—Ingram, Aggies, first; Wiedman, Montana, second; Snow, Aggies, third. Time: 2:06 2-5. (New state record.)


Broad Jump—Owsley, Montana, first; Gatton, Aggies, second; Conner, Aggies, third. Distance, 21 feet 10 inches. (New state record.)


Shot put—Craighead, Montana, first; Heageny, Aggies, second; Owsley, Montana, and Connors, Aggies; tied for third. Distance: 40 feet 6 inches.


440-yard Dash—Higgins, Montana, first; Wiedman, Montana, second; Cameron, Montana, third. Time: 53 seconds.

120 yard high hurdles—Kenck, Aggies, first; Ronan, Montana, second; Simons, Aggies, third. Time: 17 seconds.

Discus hurl—Craighead, Montana, first; Heageny, Aggies, second; Wilcomb, Aggies, third. Distance, 118 feet 5 inches. (New state record.)

220-yard dash—J. Brown, Montana, first; Stanley, Montana, second; Gatton, Aggies, third. Time: 22 3-5 seconds. (Ties state record.)
Two-mile Run—Steele, Aggies, first; Olander, Montana, second; Templeton, Montana, third. Time: 10:31 1-5. (New state record.)

Hammer Throw—Craighead, Montana, first; Heagney, Aggies, second; Wilcomb, Aggies, third. Distance, 105 feet 8 inches.

Pole Vault—Prescott, Montana, first; Sheedy, Mines, second; Lansing, Montana, and Webster, Aggies, tied for third. Height, 10 feet 9 inches.

Javelin Throw—Craighead, Montana, first; Wilcomb, Aggies, second; Lansing, Montana, third. Distance, 139 feet 7 inches.

U. of M. Records

100-yard dash—10 flat. Bob Cary, 1906
440-yard dash—51 2-5. Leo Greenough, 1906
880-yard run—2 min. 7 sec. W. H. Maloney, 1908
Mile run—4 min. 25 3-5 sec. W. H. Maloney, 1908
Two-mile run—10 min. 42 sec. M. S. Bullerdick, 1908
120-yard hurdles—16 2-5 min. Bob Cary, 1906
220-yard hurdles—25 3-5 min. Joe Malcolmson, 1914
Hammer throw—119 ft. 10 1-2 inches. Emmett Ryan, 1910
Shot put—40 feet, 9 inches. Kenneth Wolfe, 1913
High jump—5 ft. 9 inches.
Broad jump—21 ft 10 inches. Merritt Owsley, 1914
Discus—118 ft. 1 1-2 inches. Roy McPhail, 1906
Javelin—143 ft. 2 inches. Ed Craighead, 1914

Washington State College vs. U. of M.
84 to 51.

100-yard dash—Cooke, Wash., first; Brown, Montana, second; Stanley, Montana, third. Time: 10 1-5 seconds.
220-yard dash—Cooke, Wash., first; Brown, Montana, second; Quimby, third. Time: 22 4-5 seconds.
Shot put—Craighead, Montana, first; Curran, Wash., second; Deitz, Wash., third. Distance, 40 feet 9 inches. State record.
120-yard high hurdles—McCroskey, Wash., first; Crane, Wash., second; Ronan, Montana, third. Time 17 seconds.
Pole vault—Monroe, Wash., first; Prescott, Montana, second; Lansing, Montana, third. Height, 11 feet.
440-yard dash—Cooke, Wash., first; Deitz, Wash., second; Weldman, Montana, third. Distance, 149 feet 9 inches.
Broad Jump—Owsley, Montana, first; Deitz, Wash., second; Crane, Wash., third. Distance, 20 feet 8 inches.
High jump—Crane, Wash., first; Monroe, Wash., second; Owsley, Montana, third. Height, 5 feet 9 inches.
Two-mile run—Williams, Wash., first; Olander, Montana, second; Baird, Montana, third. Time: 10 min 28 seconds.
“M” Men, 1914-15

Football
Owsley (Capt.)  Clark
Streit  Robertson
Gault  Sanderson
Simpkins  Sheridan
Daems  Claypool
Kerran  Guerin
Bentz  Burris
Scherck  Vance

Basketball
Crawford (Capt.)  Flint
Cummins  Sheridan
Clark  Robertson

Track
Taylor, (Capt.)  E. Craighead
Olander  Brown
Brown  Prescott
Higgins  Jones
Weideman  Owsley