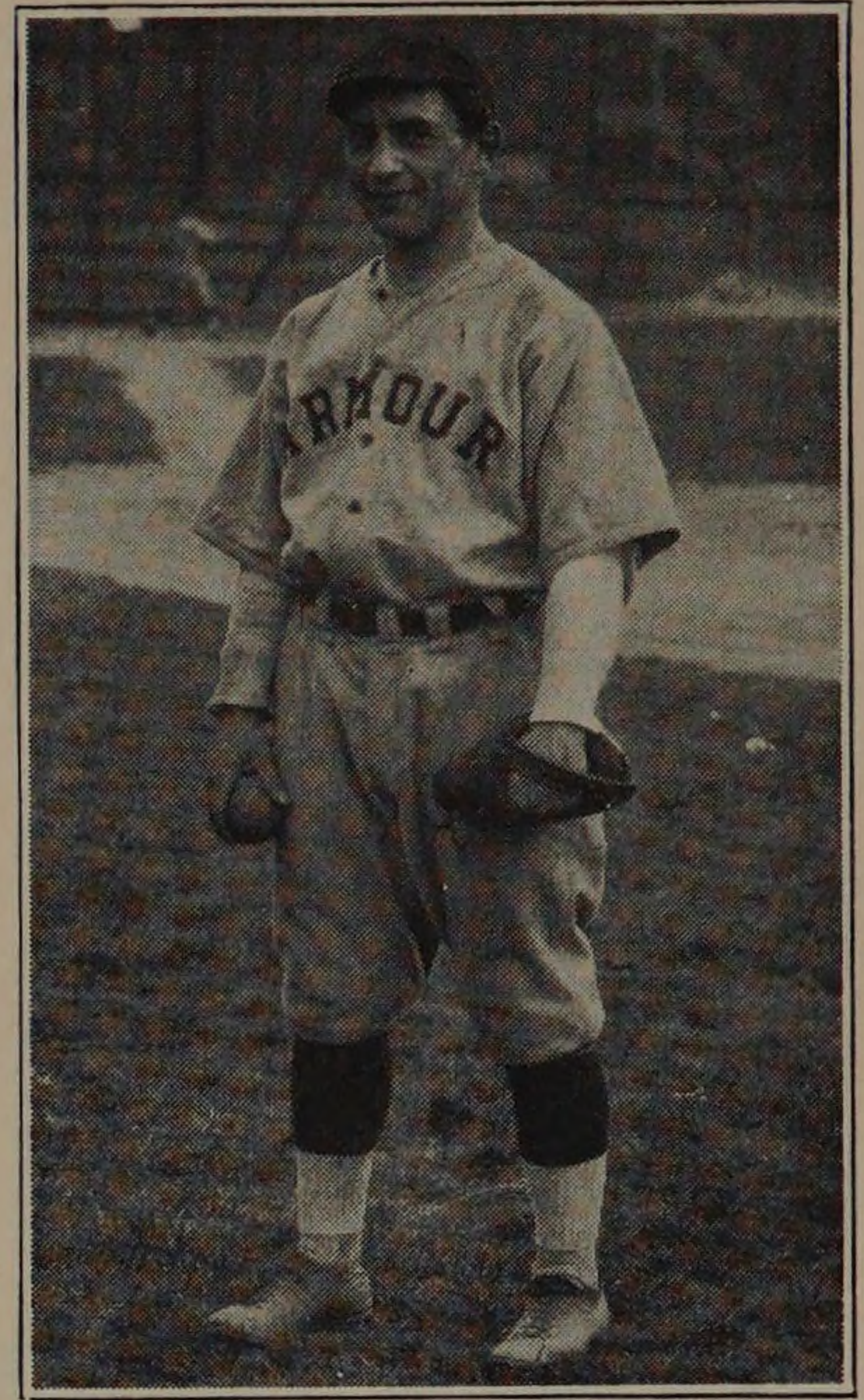


COACH KRAFFT

BASEBALL 1928



CAPTAIN ROSSETTI

WILLIAM C. KRAFFT.....	<i>Coach</i>
GERMINI ROSSETTI.....	<i>Captain</i>
RALPH H. OSBORNE.....	<i>Manager</i>
WILLIAM H. BERRY, JR.....	<i>Assistant Manager</i>

With five letter men answering the first call for practice the baseball situation assumed a rosy aspect. Captain Rossetti could be relied upon to fill the shortstop position in inspiring style. King Simpson, a demon pitcher as a Freshman the year before, was back and could be depended on for an even better season with one year of college mound experience to his credit. Edstrand, Gent and Reichle were seasoned performers at the diamond game and with Simpson and Rossetti formed the nucleus around which Coach Krafft constructed his 1928 baseball machine.

The season was comparable to the one that preceded it when the team won nine, lost four and tied one. One win and one loss more than the previous season was the 1928 record. The highlights of the season were, however, more a par with the fictitious efforts of "Dick Merriwell." The outstanding feature was Simpson's no hit, no run game. Such a thing is rare throughout all baseball, but probably even the author of "Dick Merriwell" would never have had the nerve to include a four hit no run game on his hero's next appearance on the mound and nine more similar innings devoid of runs. Altogether, he pitched twenty-seven consecutive scoreless innings, the Luther score coming in the tenth inning of the game at Decorah. During this spree Simpson set down thirty-eight hostiles via the strike out route.