

## **PAUL HOGAN**

Played football, hockey and baseball while attending Calumet High School. Was reported to have left school early to work and help his mother support their family (ca.1903-1905).

At the age of sixteen (16) played hockey at the Palestra on the Laurium men's team (1904-05).

Was a member of the Laurium hockey team in the (1908-09) season. Became an all-star selection and teammate of CHS Hall of Famer, Charles Uksila, on the Mohawk hockey team that won the Copper Country championship (1909-10).

Signed a pro baseball contract to play with Green Bay of the Wisconsin-Illinois League (1909). Joined the Clinton, Iowa team of the Northern Association as a pitcher/ outfielder and was their starting pitcher on opening day. His contract was sold to the Boston Red Sox by mid-summer and he finished his season with Lynn, Massachusetts of the New England League. The player/manager of the Lynn team was Billy Hamilton, who was finishing up a Hall of Fame career as the all-time leader in stolen bases (1910). The following season a bean ball incident in the Copper Country resulted in a serious head injury which dampened any hopes of continuing his pro baseball career (1911).

Led the Portage Lake team that won the United States Amateur Hockey championship by scoring two goals in the final minutes of the deciding game to defeat Cleveland (1913).

Continued to play baseball in the Copper Country Trolley League on the Calumet team with CHS Hall of Fame members, George Gipp and Joe Savini. He remained an outstanding outfielder and pitcher, although his prior head injury affected his contributions as a hitter. He did become an excellent bunter and usually led the league in stolen bases (1912-1920).

Competed and won numerous races in YMCA and town sponsored track meets around the Upper Peninsula. He competed in dashes of all different distances and was the consensus choice as the fastest man in the U.P. during his prime. On two occasions, he was timed as running the 100 yard dash in 9.8 seconds. The top sprinters in the world at that time were running the distance in 9.6 to 9.7 seconds (1912-1920).

Later in life excelled at bowling and golf while competing in U.P. wide tournaments.

Named to the Marquette Mining Journal's list of greatest multi-sport athletes in Upper Peninsula history (1950).

Served as a senior master engineer while serving in the 107<sup>th</sup> Engineer Battalion during World War I. Played baseball with the regimental baseball team during his enlistment (1917).

One of Calumet's greatest athletes in an era when Calumet was producing outstanding athletes at the high school, collegiate and professional levels.

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