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## ATHLETIC MANagements.

### NEW SYSTEM OF CONDUCTING ATHLETIC AFFAIRS AT MICHIGAN AND YALE.

At two great universities, Michigan and Yale, changes have recently occurred in the management of athletic affairs, looking toward a better handling of finances and a centralization of managerial responsibility in men of proved ability. Graduate Manager Baird has completed a successful season at Michigan and in recognition of his services has been promoted to a place on the faculty.

This promotion took place at a recent meeting of the board of regents of the University of Michigan. Mr. Baird will receive a salary of \$2,000 and the rank of junior professor on the university faculty.

The regents appropriated \$1,200 of the salary and the rest comes out of the athletic association's revenues. Baird will be under the supervision of the faculty board of control instead of the student athletic board, and will have full power to direct Michigan's athletic policy under the general control mentioned. Keene Fitzpatrick will remain director of indoor athletics with the same rank as Baird.

Michigan athletics have been most successful under the general control of a competent manager and it is the general opinion of students and professors that no return to the irresponsible system of student elections would be tolerated.

At Yale the Controller of athletic policy and business is called the graduate treasurer. The students of Yale University have lately ratified the plan of consolidating the management of the affairs of the several university athletic associations under the direction of the governing board, with a graduate treasurer as executive. The articles of agreement are that the Yale field, owned by the corporation be turned over to the president and fellows of Yale, to be held in trust by them; that the boat club do the same with the boat house, that the managers of the different athletic teams pay over to a treasurer, elected and paid by the college, all funds received in connection with the different teams; that this treasurer shall expend all funds upon the advice of an athletic board, which shall consist of seven members—namely, said four presidents and the successors ex-officio, said agent or graduate athletic treasurer and two persons, members of the faculties of Yale university, to be appointed by the president and fellows of Yale university. President Haley also has indorsed the scheme most highly, and athletic affairs at Yale have assumed a settled shape consequent upon the adoption of this policy of control by a competent general manager.

### Official Notice.

A mass meeting of University Students is called for Thursday evening, Dec. 7th, at 7 o'clock, at Close Hall as a reception to the football team, at which time Mr. McCutchen will give an explanation of the financial condition of the athletic union; Mr. Smith will talk of the Chicago Conference; Mr. Egan on the standing of the athletic union; Dr. Knipe on the causes which led to our athletic success. Others will make addresses on interesting subjects.

G. E. MACLEAN.

## Dental Department.

Parrons, '00, spent Thanksgiving at home.

Drs. Rogers and Lewis spent Thanksgiving quail shooting below Iowa City.

An older brother of Hasch, '00, died at his home in Cedar Rapids on Tuesday.

Some of the Juniors have finished their technics and are ready to enter the clinics.

The Seniors are getting a great many samples of tooth-wash, powder, etc., sent out by the manufacturers.

The Senior and Junior class received large free samples of Phillip's Milk of Magnesia and a large can of Phillip's Cocoa, Wednesday.

Drs. De Ford, Breene and James took in the game at Rock Island Thanksgiving. A great many of the boys in the department also went.



REV. ROBERT MCINTYRE.

The speaker at the opera house on But-toned-up-people at 8 o'clock this evening.

## Homoeopathic Department.

Stochman, '03, is having trouble with his eyes.

Richards, '01, is again able to attend classes.

Dr. Gilchrist was called out of the city Monday.

Lathrop, '02, enjoyed a visit from his mother last week.

Pratt, '03, spent Thanksgiving at his home in Washington.

Clapp, '02, visited his parents in Davenport and took in the Iowa-Illinois game.

Cogswell, Crew and White visited at their homes, the former in Cedar Rapids and the two latter in Marion, Thanksgiving day.

Wm. A. Garton, M. D., Hom. '95, is a commissioned assistant surgeon, U. S. N. with headquarters at the navy yard, Washington, D. C.

### Notice.

All members of the COLLEGIATE GRADUATING CLASS of '99 are earnestly requested to meet at Close Hall on Monday, Dec. 11, at 4 p. m. Business of vital importance to resident '99 alumni.

COMMITTEE.

### Notice.

The VIDETTE-REPORTER board will sit for its picture tomorrow, Friday, Dec. 8, at one o'clock, p. m., at Coover's studio.

The arrangement to have the picture taken today was unavoidably postponed until that date.

## IOWA'S REMARKABLE RECORD.

Thanksgiving day concluded the most memorable football season Iowa has ever known. As a result of the season's conquest Iowa football stands on a higher plane than ever before in the west. Nebraska's hitherto formidable eleven has met defeat at the hands of three Iowa teams. Grinnell tied Minnesota, while the State University, its goal line unsullied by opponent's feet, concluded a magnificent season by enacting the slaughter of the innocents with Illinois. From the view point of the university the season is a panorama of success; from that of the other schools the picture presents a more sombre aspect.

The splendid work of the men from Iowa City only accentuates the shortcomings of their rivals. Never has an Iowa team made such a brilliant record. Its triumph is one of even development and of team work never excelled, if indeed, if it has ever been equalled in the west. When the Iowa eleven is considered individually its season of conquest is nothing short of marvelous. Had Iowa trusted to the individual ability of her team she need not have looked beyond home soil for defeat. If one excepts Warner, tackle, and Griffith, fullback, not a man of the eleven can be termed a star. As individuals both Drake and Grinnell might have regarded Iowa's combination with disdain. As teams neither has any claim, on the season's record, to class with the proteges of Dr. Knipe. Meteoric is the only word which adequately describes their ascent to prestige in the western football firmament. The old gold's attack has moved with a speed only approached in the west by Chicago, while its defense has been a wall of adamant. From first to last its game has been consistent. Not a week passed during the season that did not witness development in Iowa's play. Its pace has quickened as it went, gathering with each stride a momentum that swept aside opposition like chaff. Class, rank, prestige among the universities of the west was the goal Iowa sought to attain, and desperately and loyally has she battled for it. In her home state Iowa stands on a pedestal, while no eleven in the west can rightfully claim position in a higher class until it has demonstrated it by actual contest.

As a result of the season one name stands pre-eminent in Iowa football—that of Knipe. For him it remained to do with comparatively mediocre material what Bull and Wagenhurst, with stars at their disposal, had failed to accomplish. Just as the eastern press, exultant at the downfall of the Quakers, had proclaimed the death knell of the "guards-back" play, comes Iowa's berated eleven to stagger the football west. "Guards-back" may be a dead letter in the east, but the splendid elaboration of the system that Iowa revealed this fall demonstrated that with one team at least, it is a very live issue. Iowa, Grinnell, Ames and Drake started the season with veteran teams. One can look with entire satisfaction on Iowa's record while the other three will find difficulty in dispelling thoughts of what might have been.—The Des Moines Leader.

President MacLean entertained his brother and wife, from Minneapolis, the first part of the week.

## The Illini's Opinion.

Illinois has had many set backs during the football season of 1899, but it remained for the University of Iowa to administer the most crushing defeat an Illinois team has ever received.

Twenty-three to nothing, when made by the strongest western team and its wonderful captain, was bad enough, but fifty-eight to nothing is worse.

When the team left for Rock Island last Wednesday a large number of the students were of the opinion that it would be defeated by a small score, but no one ever dreamed that it would be defeated so overwhelmingly. It seems that although Iowa's strength was recognized, yet it was under-estimated.

An interesting problem presents itself as to what the Iowa team would do if it should meet Wisconsin and Michigan. It looks as though it would easily defeat Michigan, but would be defeated by Wisconsin by a small score.

However to return to the Illinois game, it was a one sided affair. Six thousand people witnessed the game which marks Rock Island as a good foot ball town. No tricks were tried but good straight football was used by both teams.

Edson, Griffith, Warner and Little were the best players for Iowa. Edson especially distinguished himself by making one 85 yard run, two 55 yard runs and several 20 yard runs. He also made five of the touchdowns. Left tackle Warner kicked eight goals out of ten attempts. Iowa made three of its touchdowns in the first half. After Johnston and Wadsworth had retired touchdowns came quick and fast, and seven were made in the second half. A delayed pass proved very successful for the Hawkeyes as did a fake play at center.

Iowa earned its victory and is entitled to great credit for the magnificent showing she has made this year. Never during the season has her goal line been crossed by an opposing team and only once has she been scored against and then by a place kick at Chicago.—The Illini, University of Illinois, Dec. 4th, 1899.

## Alumni Notes.

Dr. Edsil W. Bachman, '87, of West Bend, Iowa, was elected to the General Assembly from Palo Alto county at the last election.

Geo H. Carter, '98, is employed on the staff of the Council Bluffs Nonpareil. Bob Hencerson, another University man, also has a position on this paper.

L. H. Fuller, L. '92, who is practicing in Chicago, giving special attention to municipal bonds, has been made professor of that branch in the Chicago Law School.

The local Alumni Association of Iowa City were entertained by President and Mrs. MacLean, last Tuesday evening. President MacLean in a short talk urged the local Alumni to use their best efforts toward promoting the foundation of local Alumni associations in every county in the state. The local Alumni association of Iowa City now has a membership of two hundred and sixty-two.

## Hawkeye Board.

The Hawkeye Board will have its picture taken at Townsend's studio at one o'clock Saturday afternoon.

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A New Oratorical League.

For some time past we have been hear-  
ing rumors of a new oratorical league  
in process of formation in the West.  
Reference to our exchanges has brought  
intelligence that several western state  
institutions are tumbling over themselves  
to get into it. The Volante of the Uni-  
versity of South Dakota, devotes a heavy  
editorial to the project and hopes that  
all the universities who are bid "will en-  
ter the league with enthusiasm and thus  
insure its success." The students at the  
University of South Dakota became quite  
enthused over the matter themselves and  
held a big mass meeting of professors,  
students and alumni, with excursion rates  
on all railroads, at which it was decided  
to go into the new league with both feet.

Reference to the exchange from the  
University of Kansas betrays a somewhat  
similar state of excitement. We presume  
that North Dakota and Missouri will al-  
so climb into the band wagon as soon as  
possible. We have not seen any account  
of Minnesota's being in haste to join the  
league. Minnesota already belongs to a  
very good sort of a league in its way, the  
Northern Oratorical. We are of the opin-  
ion that news from Minneapolis will be  
rather slow in coming.

The proposition that Iowa join the  
league was received by the Oratorical  
Association a week or so ago and referred  
to a committee which will probably re-  
port to-morrow. The proposition has not  
received much serious consideration at  
Iowa and can hardly be accepted.

The primary purpose of the formation  
of this league as stated in the prospectus  
is to enable the Universities along the  
Missouri river to escape from being an-  
nually cheated in a financial way by the  
denominational schools which infest their  
respective districts. No such conditions  
exist here since the University of Iowa  
belongs to the Northern Oratorical  
League, and couldn't exist if Iowa be-  
longed to the state oratorical association,  
because the members of this, with two  
possible exceptions, always treat the oth-

ers fairly in every way at the contests.  
The primary motive of this League can  
not at all appeal to such institutions as  
Iowa and Minnesota.

Iowa is a member in good standing of  
the Northern Oratorical League and  
while she has never won first place,  
which has with few exceptions always  
gone to Michigan, she has several times  
attained mention among the three high-  
est, and even last year when she received  
last in everything, stood next below  
Michigan. If there is any oratorical abil-  
ity which we want to send forth to com-  
pete with other universities, the North-  
ern Oratorical League offers the best  
rostrum obtainable. There to win is  
highest honor, there to lose is no dis-  
grace.

In the proposed league Iowa and Min-  
nesota would be the largest institutions  
and the ones over which it would be a  
considerable honor for the others to win.  
Minnesota and Iowa would, in fact, leave  
everything to lose and nothing to gain  
in the proposed league.

The only way in which the Oratorical  
Association can hope to obtain a chair of  
oratory in this institution is to do its  
best under present conditions. To with-  
draw from the Northern Oratorical  
League because there is no chair of or-  
atory here that will enable students to  
compete with exactly equal advantages  
with some of the other universities in  
the League would not be doing the best  
thing for our orators, or for the Univer-  
sity. To go before the regents asking  
for an appropriation for a chair of or-  
atory and arguing its necessity from the  
fact that Iowa had withdrawn from the  
Northern Oratorical League and entered  
a minor association, would not greatly  
appeal to that body.

The proposed League has nothing for  
Iowa. Our best plan would be to do the  
best we can in the Northern Oratorical  
League with what advantages we have.  
And then, perchance, after we have de-  
manded of the local judges that they  
shall admire a practical, decent, con-  
ventional style of delivery, as above polished  
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**FACT AND RUMOR.**

Lewis, '03 has left the University to accept a position with the Telephone company of this city.

Company I, 50th Iowa National Guard, will give a military ball at the Armory next Tuesday evening.

The Wyoming Student, a most excellent magazine, is a welcome visitor to the exchange department.

Major Holsteen and the staff and non-commissioned staff of the battalion sat for their picture for the Annual yesterday.

The Pi Phi and Phi Psi will be entertained by Miss Mabel Foster, '99, and Charles Foster, '03, next Saturday evening.

The Nation of November 23 reviews at length and very favorably the Explorations in the Far North by Professor Frank Russell, C.'92. Professor Russell is Secretary of the Section of Anthropology of the American Association of Science.

The ladies' gymnasium class of Close Hall is arranging for an opening day on December 16th. All the ladies of the city are invited to attend and witness the exhibition. The director, Miss Nellie Leyde of Cedar Rapids, has the class well in hand, and the girls have been making fine progress in their work this term.

P. D. Van Ousterhout, '93, of Orange City, is one of a committee of prominent citizens of Orange City who are engaged in raising money to aid the Boers in their struggle against the British in the Transvaal. "From the land of the brave and the free in the Transvaal comes the call to the land of the brave and the free in our own United States," run, in substance some of the opening words of the appeal sent out. Mr. Van Ousterhout is the county attorney of Sioux county.

**Vesper Services.**

The Y. M. and Y. W. C. A. have inaugurated a series of vesper services occurring about once a month in some church in the city. The first of these services was held last month and was happily addressed by Dean Harry Pratt Judson of Chicago university.

The second of these vesper services will be held under the auspices of the Y. M. and Y. W. C. A., next Sunday, Dec. 10th at 4 p. m. in the Methodist Episcopal church of this city. President MacLean will address the meeting.

All who heard the President address Y. M. C. A. at one of their meetings early in the year will be rejoiced that they will be afforded another opportunity to hear Dr. MacLean under circumstances even more auspicious.

The hour for these vesper services is most convenient to students and to every one who appreciate the mellowing influence of these vesper services at the close of the Sabbath day.

The next vesper service will be held in the latter part of January and will be addressed by President Seerley of Cedar Falls.

**Pharmacy Items.**

The Juniors had their first examination in Pharmacy Friday.

Mr. Holme's sister from Marengo spent Thanksgiving with him.

R. Gorer '00 went to his home at Central City Wednesday returning Tuesday morning.

Among those who attended the football game at Rock Island were Katerman Merckl, Benderk Hart '00, Brush, Brodeen and Horton '01.

Mr. Moershall, of Des Moines spent one day last week with Miller, '00. Miss Miller the latter's sister and Miss Setze from Amana were here over Sunday.

**Western Honors.**

There are four bidders for the honors—Chicago, Iowa, Wisconsin and Michigan. That the University of Iowa should be mentioned in this connection may cause some surprise to those who have not followed that team's record, but a little investigation along this line will convince any one that Iowa is entitled to mention along with the other three. Iowa played the early part of the season, defeated Rush Medical by a larger score than did Wisconsin and completely outclassed Illinois on Thanksgiving day (58 to 0), which team Michigan was only able to defeat by a score of 5 to 0 and Wisconsin by a score of 23 to 0. The 5 points scored by Chicago are the only points which have been scored against Iowa this season, while she has run up a total of 257 points in the 10 games played.—Columbus Dispatch.

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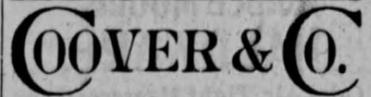


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