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BAIRD HAS NOT YET RESIGNED, BUT--

Students Think Story of Director Leaving Only Premature; Marquette on '09 Football Scheduls.

"So far as I know, there is absolutely no truth in the story about Mr. Baird resigning as head of Michigan athletics, as published in today's Detroit and Chicago papers," said Prof. George W. Patterson, chairman of the athletic board of control, Saturday night. "To be sure, Mr. Baird has been forced to absent himself from Ann Arbor a great deal of the time during the past year, but ample provision was made for that when the conditions first necessitating his business trips arose; but as far as resigning is concerned, it is a mistake."

Although this statement was corroborated by Mr. Baird and Regent Beal, the story has left in its wake a feeling of doubt, and it is considered by no means certain that the story was entirely unauthenticated and unfounded. There is little doubt that the story, with whatever of truth it may contain, was sprung prematurely and before either Director Baird or the other athletic authorities were ready to let the public in on whatever deals are about to be consummated.

The story, as it appeared in a Chicago paper, was printed under an Ann Arbor date line, and announced definitely—without any "it is rumored" or similar side-stepping phrases—that Director Baird's resignation was in the hands of the faculty. That much of the story, at least, is inaccurate, as the faculty will have nothing to say if it ever becomes necessary to consider Mr. Baird's resignation. That is a matter for the regents and for the athletic association.

In the main, the story is being generally accepted in student circles, this belief being strengthened yesterday when a man who is on the inside, so far as athletic affairs of the university are concerned, admitted that Mr. Baird tendered his resignation six months ago.

"The regents did not officially consider his resignation, however, as they have never either accepted or rejected it. They are well aware of the fact that Mr. Baird is a mighty valuable man for the job, and they figured that, even though private business affairs might demand part of his time, they would be glad to have him continue in the role of graduate director if he could see his way clear to do it. They have been deferring action for this reason and also that they might have more time in which to choose his successor in case that became necessary."

This statement, which is believed to be highly authoritative, is hard to reconcile with the affirmation of Regent Beal that he knew nothing of the entire affair. As a matter of fact, however, the semi-official announcement that Mr. Baird has tendered his resignation has occasioned comparatively little surprise, deeply as his departure would be regretted. Ever since the death of Mr. Baird's father-in-law last winter, it has been persistently rumored that Mr. Baird would resign and devote all of his time to attending to business interests in connection with his inherited estate.

Such action by Mr. Baird would be perfectly logical, as he has passed up numerous excellent opportunities in the business world in order that he might remain until Ferry field was completed. That gigantic task being completed, Mr. Baird could hardly be censured if he decided to give up the comparatively meagre salary he receives for his services here in order that he might care for his bigger interests.

The selection of a successor to Mr. Baird, in case he leaves, has been the occasion of considerable speculation, although naturally no one has been able to learn anything from an official source as to the men being considered for the position. However, it is certain that the regents will make use of every possible means to induce Mr. Baird to remain, and it is equally certain that if he does definitely decide to resign, Michigan will be a long time finding a man who can handle a complicate athletic situation in as masterly a manner as has the man to whose work Ferry field will always be a monument.

Realizing the importance of athletes passing the semester examinations, Captains Doll and Sullivan of the track and baseball teams respectively have issued a call for candidates for Tuesday evening. The track meeting will be held in the trophy room at the gymnasium at 8 o'clock, while Captain Sullivan will address the baseball candidates at 5 o'clock in the same place. The object of the meetings is two-fold; first, it is desirable that the coaches and captains have some idea of the material upon which they can depend for the coming season; and, more important, they wish to exhort the men to work hard during the holiday vacation and until the end of the semester in order that the baseball and track teams will not be shot to pieces by conditions. Failure of the athletes to keep up their college work has been the cause of practically all the athletic disasters that have befallen Michigan in recent years, and if possible that feature will be avoided this year. While the meetings Tuesday are primarily for the men who are to be eligible for intercollegiate competition this year, all first-year men who have had any experience in either line of athletics, or who wish to try for the teams after they become eligible, are requested to attend. Even men who have had little or no prep school training in athletics may be able to develop into varsity material if they work faithfully during the year of their ineligibility.

A third game has been added to Michigan's 1909 football schedule, Marquette being scheduled. The other games which are definitely arranged are Pennsylvania and Case. Case will open the season at Ann Arbor, October 9, while Michigan meets Penn at Philadelphia, in November. The Marquette game will be played in Milwaukee, October 23.

Several slight changes have been made in the basketball schedule, including a shift of the first Michigan Agricultural college game. The Aggies will open the season here, January 9, instead of the varsity going to Lansing for the first game.

TWO NATIONALITIES OPPOSED IN DEBATE

Two German and two Turkish students, arguing an international question, was the feature at the Cosmopolitan club meeting at Nichols hall last evening. The question argued was, "Resolved, that Germany has the right to interfere in Turkish affairs."

Discussion of other questions and refreshments closed the meeting.

Dr. Emerson of the philosophy department will address the Education club Monday evening at 7 o'clock, in Room 6, Tappan Hall. Subject: "Pragmatism." All interested invited to attend.

COMEDY CLUB WINS PRAISE OF CRITICS

"Admirable Crichton" Best Vehicle in Years; Carl Grawn and Ruth Todd Divide Spotlight.

The presentation of "The Admirable Crichton" by the Comedy club last night was undoubtedly the best performance by that organization in recent years. Last year the club, handicapped by a play unwieldy in itself and badly adapted to the purposes and capabilities of the club, failed sadly. This year, however, the club, in the opinion of those who saw the play last night, amply redeemed itself. Barrie's play is one which can readily be played by amateurs. The members of the cast had been carefully selected. Above all, the players were most carefully and painstakingly drilled. The result was shown by the abundant and evidently sincere applause received by the company. The audience, though not as large as the excellence of the performance deserved, was enthusiastic throughout.

Carl Grawn, as Crichton, the part made famous by William Gillette, was the undoubted star of the evening. His interpretation of his lines, particularly in the first, second and last acts, could scarcely be improved upon. In the third act, however, there was a suggestion of stiffness and consciousness. Mr. Grawn has an excellent stage presence. His work throughout was painstaking.

The task of choosing which one of the woman characters did the better work is more difficult. Miss Ruth Todd as Tweeney without doubt excelled in comedy and, on the whole, made the most favorable impression upon the audience. Miss Mersereau, however, who appeared as Lady Mary, unquestionably had the more difficult role and played it in a way that called forth the admiration of all. On the other hand, in the first and third acts, her interpretation was at times slightly stagey. The two ladies are both clever actresses and played their parts exceedingly well.

Roy E. Green, as the Hon. Ernest Wolly, was good. Many points which might have escaped others he succeeded in bringing out. Just as clever, however, was Harold Wilkins whose interpretation of the exceedingly humorous part of Lord Brocklehurst he took in a thoroughly excellent manner. In the first act he was particularly funny. William Embs, as the Rev. John Treluine, and Harold Haskins, as the Earl of Loam, both took their parts acceptably.

Miss Isabel Parrish made an exceedingly aristocratic Countess of Brocklehurst. Miss Muriel James and Miss Grace Baker as Lady Catherine and Lady Agatha had parts in which it was impossible for them to show their full ability as actresses. Their work, however, was good. Helen Bradley, Marie Rosey, Muriel Gray, Phil Kniskern, R. V. Jose, Jr., Clark Welsh, H. Eastburn, Edward Robie and Ralph Block took minor parts.

DEAN VAUGHAN TO BE INITIATED INTO FRATERNITY

Alpha Omega Alpha, the senior medic honor fraternity, will hold a reception and initiation Monday evening, December 21. Beside some members of the senior class who are to be taken in, Dean Vaughan, Prof. C. W. Edmunds and Prof. F. G. Novy will be initiated. Prof. A. W. Hewlitt, who was a member of the chapter at the University of California, will be received into the local chapter.

MISQUOTED IN BAY CITY, SAYS PROF. VAN TYNE

"I said nothing of the kind," said Prof. Van Tyne, when shown the Detroit account of his speech before the Michigan Alumni association in Bay City, Friday. "The remarks about President Angell resigning, which were put in my mouth, were not made by me. In fact, all that was said on the subject was in a speech by an alumnus in which he spoke of the great task of finding a suitable successor for Dr. Angell, should he resign."

Prof. Van Tyne's address highly eulogized President Angell. Football conditions at Michigan and Pennsylvania were compared, unfavorably to the academic standing of the eastern athletes.

It was announced at the banquet that William L. Clements, a prominent Bay City manufacturer, would be a candidate for regent to succeed F. W. Fletcher, whose term expires next year.

HOME-GOING STUDENTS MAY SECURE TICKETS IN U. HALL

The joint ticket office of the Michigan Central and Ann Arbor railroads will be installed, as is usual about Christmas time, in the treasurer's office in University Hall for the convenience of home-going students. Full information desired regarding all trains may be secured there from Monday, December 21, to the following Wednesday.

PRESIDENT ANGELL GOES TO WASHINGTON THIS WEEK

President Angell will attend the annual meeting of the board of regents of the Smithsonian Institute, of which he is a member, during the first part of this week. He will probably return Thursday.

SUCKERS SMOKE

The Illinois club held a smoker at Nichols hall Friday evening. About twenty members were present. A committee was appointed to investigate the matter of getting a private car to Chicago for the holiday trip.

WOOF! WOOF! WURZ WINS HUNTING CUP

Michigamua Braves Hang Many Rabbit Skins on Totem Pole—Whitmore Lake, the Camp.

Nineteen sleek rabbits and one rotund partridge were the means of winning quick fame for one brave, J. Wurz yesterday in the Michigamua hunt at Whitmore Lake, which is to become an annual feature. Twenty of the Indians left the North University street wigwam rather late yesterday morning and set out on the frozen trail for Whitmore Lake, the camp of their ancestors. The well-bred reds were rather modernly dressed and armed, but the later feature proved to be more productive of results than the ancestral bow and arrow.

Flying Feather Wurz was accused of having put a funnel in the end of his gun. But he bagged nineteen of the rabbit species, and these with the bird won him renown and a silver loving cup. His full, modern name will appear thereon and will read, John F. Wurz, and will be placed in the wigwam for the paleface to gaze upon.

During the past week the Whitmore plains were scoured for prairie chickens and these formed the principal portion of the noon-day meal which had been prepared by Landlord Burke of the Clifton Inn. The nimrods were called to the fields soon after, and the chase began. It all ended about 6 o'clock last evening, when the game—mostly Wurz's—was hung on the totem pole to dry.

"CULTURE" SEAT SALE TRANSFERRED TO WHITNEY

Owing to the large demand for "Culture" seats, and the inconveniences for handling the large crowds attending the sale, the tickets have been transferred to the New Whitney box office, from where the sale will now be held. The Whitney office will be open Monday and Tuesday from 9 until 12 and from 1 until 5:30.

"Because of the large number of persons who have already secured seats for 'Culture,'" said Howard Barkdull last night, "the impression seems to have gone out to some people that all the good seats are sold. This is not the case as many good seats are still to be obtained. Of course we have sold a large number of tickets, but this does not mean that all the good ones are gone. You must remember that the Whitney has a large seating capacity, and that we give five performances. New blocks of reserved seats have been turned in, so that many 50 and 75 cent seats, as well as higher priced ones, are now available to purchasers."

The tickets for "Culture" are numbered as follows: 48, Wednesday; 49, Thursday; 50, Friday; 51, Saturday matinee; 52, Saturday night. If any errors have been made, persons getting tickets for other nights than those desired may have the mistakes rectified on application at the box office.

A second edition of eight hundred posters will go on sale at the book stores early Monday afternoon. The printers say that this second edition will have better color work than the first. The publicity men are greatly pleased with the sale of the "Culture" posters, over six hundred of the first edition having been sold in less than a day and a half.

A full rehearsal will be held at the Whitney today, beginning at 2:30.

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10:30 a. m. Morning Service: Subject: "The Transformation of Evil."
11:50 a. m. University Students' Class, conducted by Mr. Foote.
6:30 p. m. Young Peoples' Religious Union.
7:30 p. m. Evening service, with address by Dr. Lee S. McCollester, of Detroit, on "Jeanne d'Arc." (Illustrated by stereopticon.)

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WHAT OF MICHIGAN IN 10 MORE YEARS?

Prominent Authorities Predict Improvements in all Departments—Merritt Foresees Unity

By Donald A. Kahn.

What will be the Michigan of ten years from now? Rather an uncertain conjecture, you say? That may be, for ten years is a long time in educational history, considering the numerous changes that have affected university life during the past decade. Nevertheless, the president, the deans of the several departments, the football coach, the director of athletics, and the president of the Union have each made a prophecy as ot the station of their several divisions of the university in 1918.

President Angell: "What will be the Michigan of ten years from now?" repeated President Angell. "That is hard to tell—really, I would not care to make an estimate."

"Well, Doctor Angell, can't you even say whether the Michigan of 1918 will be as great as the Michigan of today?" the president was asked.

"Surely! We are not so modest as all that," he replied. "We are going to be a greater Michigan; we are certainly going to make some progress in ten years."

Women's Dean Jordan.—"At the present time girls form 39 per cent of the attendance in the literary department. Do you think that in ten years they will raise that percentage, Dean Jordan?" the women's dean was asked.

"No; I do not believe that the attendance of girls will be greater in ten years," she replied. "For the last four or five years the number of girl students has not decreased, but the number of boys in the literary department has steadily increased, so that we do not raise the percentage of girls."

"Do you expect to see more girls enter the professional departments of the Michigan ten years from now?" Dean Jordan was asked.

"No," she replied. "I believe that the number will remain about the same."

Dean Vaughan.—"Hello!"

"Well, what will the medical department be in ten years?"

"It will be the greatest in the country—not that it is not the greatest now, but it will be greater still."

"We will have more thorough equipment and better preparation. I do not look for an increased attendance in the medical department," he replied.

Dean Reed.—"When you consider that our professional department sare making the possession of an A.B. degree a qualification for entrance, it is easy to see the important role that the literary department will play in university life ten years from now," said Dean Reed. "In ten years it will be realized that the function of the literary department is to give the student a broad, solid foundation for a professional education and for his later life."

"No, the literary department in ten years will have a larger attendance than we have at the present time," he replied. "Attendance in this department has been steadily increasing for the last thirty years, and will continue to increase in the future."

Dean Hutchins.—"The standard in the law department has been raised steadily in the past few years—more thorough preparation has been insisted upon and the curriculum has been improved. In the law department of the University of Michigan ten years from today I expect to see still greater improvements," said Dean Hutchins. "In common with other professional departments, the law department will be a graduate school. Many students who do not contemplate the study of law will take the course for the general education it affords."

Dean Hutchins was asked regardign the probable enrollment in the law department ten years from today.

"I do not expect to see a much larger attendance," he replied. "We may have a few more hundred students than at the present time, but conditions will be such that a very much larger attendance will be improbable. One of these things will be the increased entrance qualifications. Another thing will be the competition that Michigan will have from other schools. When the law department was started here we had only six or eight schools in the territory from whence we draw our students, while now there are something like fifty or sixty. The law school ten years from today will be a greater institution."

Associate Dean Butts.—Prof. William Henry Butts, associate dean of the engineering department, was asked to outline the engineering school ten years hence. He responded as follows:

"The engineering department of 1918 will give students a firmer grasp on the great sources of power in nature. Every great advance in science must be met by the engineering faculty. Experts must be trained in long distance and wireless telegraphy, in the development of marine engineering, in the theory and use of aeroplanes, in improved methods in the manufacture of beet sugar and Portland cement, and in the architecture of the cement age. Gas engines and steam turbines must be studied and improved. Specialization must prevail, and the department must double in numbers and in equipment in the next decade. Six years will doubtless be required to educate an engineer. He may receive the degree of master of civil, mechanical, electrical, marine, or ecological engineering, or master of architecture. Marine engineering has a great future, and our equipment is unique. Ecological engineering is a new creation, and architecture is just on its feet. In 1918 these departments will bring large numbers of students to the University of Michigan. The engineering department ten years from today will be a great institution."

Dean Hinsdale.—"The homœopathic medical college of 1918 will be far in advance of our present school," said Dr. W. B. Hinsdale. "Many new discoveries in science stand before us, ready to be worked out, and these will add much to the future of the depatment."

"The attendance will increase in ten years, in proportion to the increasing attendance at the whole university," he replied. "The homœopathic college in ten years will be greater by far than it is today, for science is making more rapid strides."

Dean Huff.—"What will the dental department be ten years from today? It will be the biggest thing in town!" answered Dean Huff, with a smile. "The Michigan dental department is a member of a faculty league now existing between eight state universities, and in ten years we expect to see the number of colleges in this league much larger. In ten years the standard of admission and of work ini the dental college will be much higher than at the present time. We do not expect to have a much larger enrollment. Thoroughness of preparation for practice will be our motto. The new Dental building is very complete, and presents great possibilities for a prosperous department in 1918."

Dean Schlotterbeck.—"The Michigan pharmacy school of 1918 will be greatly in advance of our present department," said Dean Schlotterbeck. "We will have better equipment, and science is doing more every day. I expect to see the pharmacy coruse extended, so that in ten years from today it will take three or four years to graduate from the pharmacy department."

Director Fitzpatrick.—"Just ten years ago gymnasium training was made compulsory for students in the literary and engineering departments, and we find that after a semester's training the boys were improved physically 18 per cent," said Keene Fitzpatrick, director of physical training. "If the work goes on the next ten years as it has in the past ten years, the Michigan man of 1918 will be all right physically. Physical culture will then be a greater science, and the equipment in gymnasiums will be even more complete."

"Do you believe that in ten years physical training will be compulsory in all departments?" Mr. Fitzpatrick was asked.

"No, I do not expect to see it compulsory in the professional departments, for the professional departments will probably be graduate schools," he replied.

Coach Yost.—"Football in the west is in a very uncertain condition," said Coach Yost, "and I cannot say with any certainty what the football team of Michigan will be ten years from today."

"Would you care to say whom we may be playing in 1918, Coach Yost?" he was asked.

"I don't know who we will be playing," he replied. "But I can tell you one thing: they will be on the same footing with Michigan."

"You mean that their players will have to work at their studies as much as our men do, Coach Yost?"

"Yes, I mean that, and some other things."

"Can you predict one way the game of 1918 will differ from the football of 1908?"

"It will undoubtedly be a more open game," said Coach Yost.

Walle W. Merritt, president of the Union.—"I am not so much concerned about what the Michigan Union will be ten years from now as I am about what Michigan will be at that time,—the student body, I mean. Our great lack as a body of undergraduates today is that of unity and coherence. One wonders what the condition will be ten years from now, if the university grows as it has in the past decade. I believe in the Michigan Union because I believe it embodies in a practical organization a principle which will some day solve our difficulty and bring us together with bonds that will not be broken, united Michigan men. We shall have our big new clubhouse, with its banquet hall, its lounging rooms, billiard hall, training table, and the rest; but more, we shall have a Michigan family in a Michigan home. Speed the day!"

By a new regulation of the faculty of Wesleyan university, students will hereafter be required to register all elected subjects at least two weeks before commencement in June. The rule will permit better provision for text-books and instructors, and allow students to make a wiser choice of courses.

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