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## OUTLOOK EXCELLENT.

### Football Management Finds Encouragement in Prospects for the Season.

Football in the university this fall promises to be all that it has been during the past few years. The first impression that was gained by the older students upon their return to the institution was that the prospects were very poor, and that some of the old-time rivals would find the game here more in the form of play than work. Toward the latter part of the week it was seen that some of the older men who were not expected had put in an appearance and would be ready for practice as soon as it began.

A. Edwin Branch, captain of his team at Williams college last year, is the man that was hired by the members of the athletic board to coach the team this fall. His arrival on the grounds Saturday at once put a confidence in the men that is seldom seen so early in the season. New men turned out and active practice was begun at once. Added to this was the arrival of W. E. Allen, instructor in physical training for the coming year and also coach for the second eleven.

Both Branch and Allen bear football records worthy of comment. Before entering Williams college Branch was one of the strongest men on the Phillips Andover team. On the college team he was found to be a hard and an honest worker at all times. His recommendations state that he is aggressive in play, strict in observation of training rules, and off the field one of the most perfect gentlemen on the campus.

Allen comes here from Earlham college, Indiana, at which place he spent two years coaching football teams and in other athletic training work. He is a graduate of the International Training school of Springfield, Mass., and was later a fellow in the institution.

The resignation of Manager Pearce and Assistant Manager Andreson disheartened the team for a short while, but the effect was only temporary. The election of new men at the meeting of the athletic board Monday evening revived the spirits of the players and started the season with more vigor than ever.

A large number of the old players will not be back for work this year. Melford finished the four years last season that he was allowed to play and is at present coaching the team at Washburn college, Topeka, Kansas. Hansen was one of the men who graduated and is coaching the team at the Kansas Agricultural college, Manhattan, Kansas. Turner was also one of the graduates and will not be in school for the coming season.

Speculation on the remainder of the line is of such an uncertain nature that any definite conclusions are hard to be reached. Kingsbury and Follmer will not be here. Pillsbury states that he is still uncertain. Stringer is already on the ground ready for work. Behind the line a guess is also hard to get at. Captain Williams is ill in Colorado. Erwin is in Chicago with Stagg. Benedict is in school, but so loaded with work that there is little possibility that he will be able to come out. Drain is here and will probably work for the quarter. Several of last year's scrub will make available material. Crandall will show up strong at quarter, although somewhat light for the place.

Cortelyou stands well for an end position. Material from the high schools seems to be plentiful and many of the positions will be filled in this way. Tobin and Ringer of Lincoln and Sedgwick are all heady men and aggressive players.

## KANSAS AND IOWA PROSPECTS.

Judging from the articles that have appeared in both the Iowa and Kansas weeklies prospects for successful teams were never so bright as at the present time. It is too early in the season to tell what the final development will bring out, yet it is all right to have some ideas on the subject.

The article that appeared in the K. U. Weekly is given in part here. It is as follows:

"The prospects have not been so bright for a successful football team for many years as at the present. This is going to be a great year for football everywhere, and we are going to be right in the push. There are enough old men back to insure a good team, while there are many new men coming in who give promise of great things on the gridiron this year.

"The gaps in the line can be filled, while the backs, already strong, can probably be strengthened.

"Coach Yost came in Monday and went to work at once. He is the kind of a man who inspires confidence and this confidence is well grounded. His record in past years proves his ability as a coach, and he evidently knows how to handle men. When asked what system of play he would use, Mr. Yost was rather reticent, but it will probably combine features from different systems.

"The training table started Tuesday in the old hose house, which has been fitted up for the purpose.

"Hamill, Mosse, Smith and Simpson will not be back this year, but probably all the other men who played on last year's team will be out again this week.

"Some of last year's second team men show great improvement and will try hard for places. Among the new line men Mahan of Salina is making an excellent showing along with other big men who came in later in the week. Beaman is expected to distinguish himself on the gridiron this year, and there are others."

In turn, the S. U. I. Quill gives vent to a certain amount of enthusiasm in the following manner:

"Every effort is being put forth at building a football team that shall faithfully and honestly represent Iowa on the gridiron this fall; and with the abundance of material on hand, a competent and painstaking coach, and perfect accord among the men, we may look for gratifying results. August 22nd Coach Knipe, with a few candidates, established training quarters at Linder's. Active practice in passing and falling on the ball, running and kicking was taken both forenoon and afternoon. In time the number of men was increased to almost twenty, namely: Captain Eby, Captain Hobbs, Burrier, Baker, Warner, Fred Williams, Clyde Williams, Brockway, Morton and Griffith of last year's team; also some ten men who have shown promising form here or elsewhere at some time. In practice all actual contact of the men was carefully avoided to prevent strains that might disable the bodies not yet specially prepared to receive them. Tuesday the candidates came back to the city and appeared upon the field ready to begin at once the severe work of making a team out of the individuals."

## FORMAL OPENING.

### Annual Address Delivered in Chapel By Chancellor Bessey Saturday Morning.

The formal opening of the university for the year occurred Saturday in the chapel, when Acting Chancellor Bessey gave the annual address. Students, old and new, crowded into the chapel to hear the remarks of the new executive. The address was one that will be remembered for many years to come, for the reason that it was businesslike, clear and struck the proper chord in the minds of the students.

Chancellor Bessey first referred to the changes that had taken place in the faculty; later to the new management of the university as laid down to take effect at this time at the spring meeting of the board of regents.

Continuing his remarks further, he touched upon the possibilities of the future. The true university is one that is constantly broadening, one that has a continuous session throughout the year, that the student may come and go at the end of each term. If the student were strong enough to work throughout the year, he could complete his course in one-third less time; if, on the other hand, he were not able to stand the wear and tear as it now is, he would be better enabled to lengthen the work.

In conclusion, Chancellor Bessey wished to offer some advice from an older to a newer student, as he expressed it. It was necessary for the student to get down to work immediately in order to be better prepared to meet the few trying days that he would find in beginning the year. He drew forcible illustrations from the parable of the sower and left as a parting text with the students the first verse of Hebrews, 12: "Let us lay aside every weight and sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us."

## MACLEAN TO BE INAUGURATED.

It has been definitely settled that the inauguration of ex-Chancellor George Edwin MacLean as president of the University of Iowa will occur September 20. It is proposed by the authorities of our sister institution to make this a day long to be remembered in the history of the state. The program as arranged shows some of the most worthy speakers in the west, including President Northrup of the University of Minnesota and President Harper of the University of Chicago.

Upon the morning of the same day the annual alumni football game will occur. This will be the introduction of the festivities, which will last all of the day.

In commenting upon the first appearance of President MacLean before the students of Iowa some of the papers of that state say that it took just thirty minutes for him to win a place for himself in the heart of every man and woman present. The address at that time is declared to be one that will go down in the history of the university.

## THE MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

In the military department the outlook for a very successful battalion this year is bright. Under the command of Major Weeks, now lieutenant in the United States army, the bat-

tallon reached a high degree of perfection, and under the present commandant, Major LaRue Brown, the high excellence of last year will be fully sustained. Major Brown has seen military service, holding a lieutenantship in the Lincoln light infantry during the present war, and last year was lieutenant of the Pershing Rifles. He is every inch a soldier and his promotion is due to his sterling merit. There will be no lack of high privates this year, as the registration is large, being at present over three hundred. The officers this year will be chosen from a very desirable lot of men and promotions may be looked for within a short time. There has been a change of rooms for convenience, the commandant's office now being located in the old officers' room. Drill began in earnest Wednesday and the commandant is to be complimented on the dispatch with which he has started the wheels of his office going.

## DELIAN DEBATING SOCIETY.

All new and old students are cordially invited to attend the meetings of the Delian Boys' Debating club and to take part in the discussion. The club has already arranged for a joint debate with the Alpha Omega society of Doane college, to be held during the latter part of October. Several other joint debates are being negotiated for. The officers for the ensuing term are: President, H. J. Theabald; vice president, F. Maxwell; secretary, W. F. McNaughton; attorneys, R. Sampson and W. O. O'Connell; delegate to the university convention, C. W. Jones. Come out and we will give you a hearty welcome.

THE SECRETARY.

## ATHLETIC BOARD MEETS.

The first regular meeting of the athletic board was held Monday evening to fill vacancies on the football team management caused by the resignations of A. S. Pearce and R. D. Anderson. Austin Collett and C. S. Root were unanimously chosen as manager and assistant manager of the team for the coming year.

C. S. Story was elected to membership on the board to fill the vacancy caused by the withdrawal of McDiar-mid from school.

R. E. Benedict was appointed to act as temporary captain of the team until the return of Captain Williams or until one should be chosen in the regular manner.

The matter of the removal of the bleachers from the campus was brought up by Dr. Pound. A committee, composed of Drs. Pound, Bliss and Benedict, was appointed to address a memorial to the regents and to secure, if possible, immediate attention to the matter.

The board decided that all vacancies on the student portion of the board should be filled by an election by the board and not by an election among the students.

## NEW RULES.

The following notices have been posted for the information of students: Changing groups: "No student shall be allowed to change his group or drop any study for which he has been registered without written permission from the dean of his college." (Faculty minutes, May, 1899.)

Matriculation fees: "A student shall pay a matriculation fee (\$5.00) for