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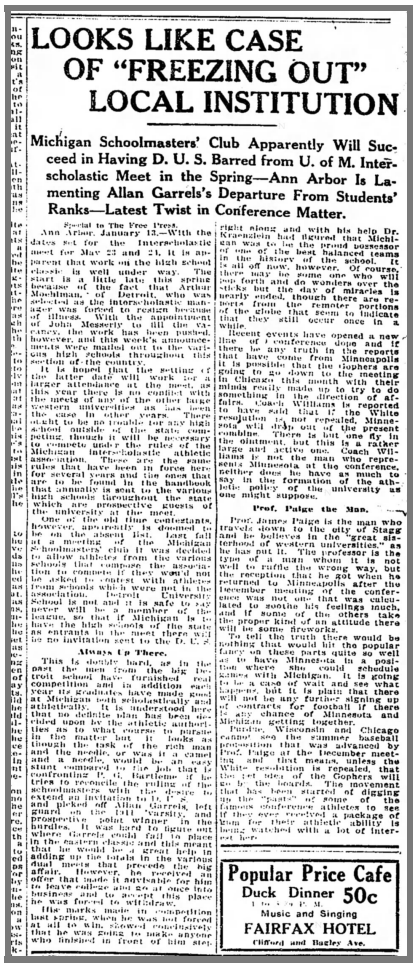

LOOKS LIKE CASE OF "FREEZING OUT" LOCAL INSTITUTION

Michigan Schoolmasters' Club Apparently Will Succeed in Having D. U. S. Barred from U. of M. Interscholastic Meet in the Spring—Ann Arbor Is Lamenting Allan Garrels's Departure From Students' Ranks—Latest Twist in Conference Matter.

Special to The Free Press.

Ann Arbor, January 13.—With the dates set for the Interscholastic meet for May 23 and 24, it is apparent that work on the high school classic is well under way. The start is a little late this spring because of the fact that Arthur Moehlman, of Detroit, who was selected as the interscholastic manager was forced to resign because of illness. With the appointment of John Messerly to fill the vacancy, the work has been pushed, however, and this week's announcements were mailed out to the various high schools throughout this section of the country.

It is hoped that the setting of the latter date will work for a larger attendance at the meet, as this year there is no conflict with the meets of any of the other large western universities as has been the case in other years. There ought to be no trouble for any high school outside of the state competing, though it will be necessary to compete under the rules of the Michigan interscholastic athletic association. These are the same rules that have been in force here for several years and the ones that are to be found in the handbook that annually is sent to the various high schools throughout the state which are prospective guests of the university at the meet.

One of the old time contestants, however, apparently is doomed to be on the absent list. Last fall at a meeting of the Michigan Schoolmasters' club it was decided to allow athletes from the various schools that compose the association to compete if they would not be asked to contest with athletes from schools which were not in the association. Detroit University School is not and it is safe to say never will be a member of the league, so that if Michigan is to have the high schools of the state as entrants in the meet there will be no invitation sent to the D. U. S.

Always Up There.

This is double hard, as in the past the men from the big Detroit school have furnished real competition and in addition each year its graduates have made good at Michigan both scholastically and athletically. It is understood here that no definite plan has been decided upon by the athletic authorities as to what course to pursue in the matter but it looks as though the task of the rich man and the needle, or was it a camel and a needle, would be an easy stunt compared to the job that is confronting P. G. Bartlome if he tries to reconcile the ruling of the schoolmasters with the desire to extend an invitation to U. D. S. and pick off Allan Garrels, left guard on the 1911 "varsity, and prospective point winner in the hurdles. It was hard to figure out where Garrels could fail to place in the eastern classic and his grant that he would be a great help in adding up the totals in the various dual meets that precede the big affair. However, he received an offer that made it advisable for him to leave college and go at once into business and to accept this place he was forced to withdraw.

The marks made in competition last spring, when he was not forced at all to win, showed conclusively that he was going to make anyone who finished in front of him step right along and with his help Dr. Kraenzlein had figured that Michigan was to be the proud possessor of one of the best balanced teams in the history of the school. It is all off now, however. Of course, there may be some one who will pop forth and do wonders over the sticks but the day of miracles is nearly ended, though there are reports from the remoter portions of the globe that seem to indicate that they still occur once in a while.

Recent events have opened a new line of conference dope and if there be any truth in the reports that have come from Minneapolis it is possible that the Gophers are going to go down to the meeting in Chicago this month with their minds really made up to try to do something in the direction of affairs. Coach Williams is reported to have said that if the White resolution is not repealed, Minnesota will drop out of the present combine. There is but one fly in the ointment, but this is a rather large and active one. Coach Williams is not the man who represents Minnesota at the conference, neither does he have as much to say in the formation of the athletic policy of the university as one might suppose.

Prof. Paige the Man.

Prof. James Paige is the man who travels down to the city of Stagg and he believes in the "great sisterhood of western universities," as he has put it. The professor is the type of a man whom it is not well to ruffle the wrong way, but the reception that he got when he returned to Minneapolis after the December meeting of the conference was not one that was calculated to soothe his feelings much, and if some of the others take the proper kind of an attitude there will be some fireworks.

To tell the truth there would be nothing that would hit the popular fancy on these parts quite so well as to have Minnesota in a position where she could schedule games with Michigan. It is going to be a case of wait and see what happens, but it is plain that there will not be any further signing up of contracts for football if there is any chance of Minnesota and Michigan getting together.

Purdue, Wisconsin and Chicago cannot see the summer baseball proposition that was advanced by Prof. Paige at the December meeting and that means, unless the White resolution is repealed, that the yet nine of the Gophers will go by the boards. The movement that has been started of digging up the "pasts" of some of the famous conference athletes to see if they ever received a package of coin for their athletic ability is being watched with a lot of interest here.

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