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A NEW HUI.

WAILUKU, May 9.—The fishing hui at Maalaea Bay, consisting of Jack Nelli and the Valpoon brothers have about completed preliminaries, and fast deep-sea fish from Kahoolawe may soon be expected in the Wailuku market.—Maui News.

A NEAT FENCE.

WAILUKU, May 9.—Contractor Burrem has completed the fence around the new school lot, the front fence being a neat picket. A stone embankment will be built along the entire front of the lot just outside the fence.—Maui News.

Associated Press, Morning Service.

ROOSEVELT AS A COLLEGE PRESIDENT

HOW THE SUGGESTION THAT HE ASPIRES TO SUCCEED PRESIDENT ELIOT AS THE HEAD OF HARVARD UNIVERSITY IS RECEIVED, AS INDICATED BY THE TREATMENT OF THE SUBJECT IN NEWSPAPERS.

The most startling rumor to be launched just now is that put forth by The Springfield Republican that President Roosevelt is ambitious to succeed the venerable head of Harvard, Dr. Eliot. President Roosevelt was never supposed to be a profound scholar in any department, but he is backed by plenty of degrees, and that he is something of a thinker is shown by his brilliant ideas on "race suicide." But as President Roosevelt proposes to wait till after he has finished his second term at the White House, there is no cause for immediate alarm at this strange innovation.

The idea of a man of President Roosevelt's stamp assuming to cover so grave an academic function is not, after all, so strange as it would have been formerly. The president of a modern college is not the over-awing personality that he formerly was. His office is now more a business one than a strictly academic. He is supposed to be a shrewd caretaker of the college securities and properties and to preside over a multitude of concerns that formerly had no existence.

Some may think President Roosevelt a little too strenuous and too much addicted to hunting and other undignified sports, but as an advertising card for athletics he would prove a prize. But Dr. Eliot believes that a typical scholar would most dignify the president's chair at Harvard, and there are lots of old fogies that probably think so, too.—Boston Globe.

How much longer will Dr. Eliot of Harvard, the septuagenarian college president, hold his position as head of the Crimson university? This is the question called forth by a recent editorial in The Springfield Republican to the effect that President Roosevelt aspires to succeed President Eliot in Cambridge when his career in national politics comes to an end.

Up to the present time few people connected with Harvard have even thought of President Eliot retiring. So hale and hearty is the grand old president that the idea has seemed to prevail that he would live on indefinitely like those who, in olden times, drank at the fountain of eternal youth. Now, however, every one has suddenly awakened to the fact that President Eliot is far beyond the age when college presidents are usually expected to retire. Three years ago the corporation, in strict accordance to custom, could have asked him to resign. But they did not do so, and even today have never considered a single candidate to succeed himself in his important place.

Every Harvard undergraduate thinks Roosevelt would make a great Harvard president. "He would be strong for athletics." "He would speak to the fellows" (which Dr. Eliot doesn't do). "He would be a great hustler." These are only a few of the comments which his name suggests to Crimson students, each and all of whom hope that there is truth in the rumor that some day he will be over them. President Eliot himself is at the present time out of town. According to the statement of Mr. Green, his secretary, yesterday, there is no foundation for the rumor that President Roosevelt has even been thought of to succeed him.—Boston Post.

It is hardly pretended that Mr. Roosevelt is the ideal man for the head of Harvard, regarded merely as an educational institution. On the other hand, it is certain that his incumbency would draw many students to the university, that he would keep it constantly in the public eye, that athletics would be likely to show a lusty development, and that he would encourage a manly, hearty spirit among the students. He would have a great and wholesome influence in many ways. But the university as a seat of learning would gain things from another man such as Mr. Roosevelt could not give. It is not a question of greater or less, but of difference in kind, and both kinds are required for the good of the place.—Hartford Times.

Why should not Mr. Roosevelt become actual president of Harvard? Why not, indeed? It is impossible to imagine any position whatever in which the president could be placed to which the prefix "ex" would not be absurdly inappropriate. It is equally impossible to imagine any position in which he would not be very much "at large." He would at once "get busy" at the head of that or any other institution, and he would promote business in others. When the existing undergraduate body thinks of his presidency, it must lament that itself was born too early. Under the grinding tyranny of the faculty committee on athletics its victims now groan helpless. How would they rejoice if they could look forward to a Rooseveltian regime. The new president would put that body in its place if he had to lick every member of it. And how happy would those undergraduates be who feel themselves capable of filling every item of the Cecil Rhodes bill except the disgusting first, which the name "scholarship" implies, if they were sure that this frivolous and irrelevant objection would no longer be brought up against them.

It would not be. Can anybody imagine President Roosevelt letting a good left tackle go because he could not decline "musa, musae," or, for that matter, because he could not spell "cat"? Assuredly not. Harvard would be first in the field and on the river, whatever became of the Homer examinations and the prize debates or its president would know the reason why. His aspiration for his undergraduates would be that of the poet around his "dusky brood":—

Iron jointed, supple sinewed, they shall dive and they shall run; Catch the wild goat by the hair and hurl their lance in the sun; Whistle back the parrot's call and leap the rainbows of the brooks. Not with blinded eyesight poring over miserable books. Theodore Roosevelt must have conducted considerably to the enlightenment of Harvard when he was there as an undergraduate, even though cramped by the trammels of an effete system of discipline and a false standard of instruction. But installed there as president, with ample power to his free and strenuous elbow, what a transformation he would work! All over our broad land youths more distinguished for strenuousness than for studiousness would be begging "the old man" to send them to Harvard as the first arena ever opened for their peculiar gifts in the guise of an institution of learning. The presidency of Harvard would be great while it lasted. There is no doubt about that.—New York Times.

It is a little early for speculation as to Mr. Roosevelt's employment after he leaves the White House. Two years of his present term remain, and a full term of four years may be added. But this much may be said with safety: The presidency of Harvard university would fit him like a glove. The duties of the office would appeal to him strongly; and while they would take up a good deal of his time, they would not take up all of it. There would still be time for writing, and Mr. Roosevelt could address himself to the preparation of those histories and biographies relating to American subjects and statesmen which are said to be now on his memorandum book. At 50, and even at 60, years of age, Mr. Roosevelt is likely to be a very strenuous laborer in whatever vineyard may be found.—Washington Star.

President Roosevelt's future after he leaves the White House is mapped out for him in an editorial printed by The Springfield Republican, which carries the inference that Mr. Roosevelt would not be averse to accepting the presidency of Harvard university when President Eliot retires. It is not known whether the editorial is ex-cathedra.—Philadelphia North American.

DR. HALE "JOSHES" NEWSPAPERS

Although the son of an editor, Dr. Edward E. Hale has good, natural disparagement of the influence of newspapers. Referring to Edward Everett's sensitiveness, he says: "He was hopelessly sensitive to what the press printed, not knowing what I, who was bred in a newspaper office, know—first,

that of whatever is put in the newspaper half the people who see it do not read it; second, that half of those do not read it; second, that half of those do not understand it; third, that of the half who understand it, half do not believe it fully half forget it; fifth, that the half who remember it are probably of no great account anyway."

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