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RALLY WAS SUCCESS

VERY FEW OF THE FELLOWS
OUT TO BOOST

INTEREST AND ENTHUSIASM

Number of Live Speeches Were Made
—Idea of New Gymnasium Was
Discussed—Musical Num-
bers Appreciated

Not so much noise as at a Football Rally, but a lot of "pep" and "ginger," is the characterization given to the girls' basketball rally at Convocation yesterday. There were a large number of girls present, but the masculine portion of the audience was huddled into a very small space, where they "stuck" together for mutual protection against the encroaching horde of girls, who refused to be kept within their usual bounds and swarmed over to the south side of the Hall after filling the north seats.

Miss Norma Kidd, in opening the meeting, gave as the reason for Chancellor Avery's absence the exaggerated interest some of the members of the Legislature had taken in the matter of the University appropriations, which fact had bothered the Chancellor for a number of days, and work along this line kept him from the meeting. Otherwise the program was carried out as advertised.

Guy Reed was the first speaker and told of some of the reasons why he considered that the University Girls should have an Athletic Association. He mentioned the well known need of a large gymnasium for the University and pointed out that a girls' organization could help in securing such a building as would be adequate for their needs. Mr. Reed suggested an organization composed of all the girls in the University who were enough interested in athletics to purchase a season ticket for the athletic meets. The speaker reasoned that since these girls supported University athletics, that they should have a voice in the management of them and this line of reasoning appealed to the audience, who showed their appreciation by hearty applause at this point of the talk.

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CORNHUSKER WILL BE OUT ON TIME SURELY

So Say the Editors in Final Examination Yesterday—Every Class Is Represented by Snaps

Cornhusker is coming out on time, absolutely. The editors tickled to death. The dead have come to life and the frats and sororities are sending in their pictures in such numbers that the editor has gone without his meals for two days in order to get the snaps mounted.

Over 7,000 names and snaps of students are to be in, the only truly representative "Cornhusker" we have ever had. Articles by the brainiest men and women in college. All reports to the effect that the Cornhusker will be late are false.

Every class is to be represented by snaps of their most prominent people. Remember, the day for subscription is March 4th.

DEAN BESSEY DEAD

World-Famous Botanist, Nebraska's Most Widely Known Professor
Succumbs After Three Weeks Struggle For Life.

Charles Edwin Bessey, Ph.D., LL.D., head dean of the University of Nebraska, head of the Department of Botany, the most widely known member of the faculty, one of the foremost botanists of the world, is dead. The illness—a tired heart—which suddenly smote him three weeks ago, terminated last night when he quietly passed away at 10:15 o'clock in the coma in which he had lain for a day.

Had he lived until May 21, his seventieth birthday would have been celebrated, according to the University's plans, at the laying of the cornerstone of Bessey Hall—the first of the new buildings to be erected on the enlarged campus.

At his bedside when he passed away were Mrs. Bessey and Prof. Ernest A. Bessey of Michigan Agricultural College. His other son, Carl Bessey of Chicago, arrived this morning.

Arrangements for the funeral have not yet been announced.

Doctor Bessey served the University of Nebraska thirty years and a half. He was twice acting chancellor, and once declined the chancellorship, preferring his work in the Department of Botany, where he gave himself unsparingly to his students and to writing the books and articles which brought him international fame. The presidency of the American Association for the Advancement of Science was held by him in 1910-1911.

Doctor Bessey was born on a farm near Milton, Wayne county, Ohio, May 21, 1845. He took the degree of B.Sc. at the Michigan Agricultural College in 1869—the year the University of Nebraska was founded—and the de-

gree of M.Sc. at the same institution in 1872. He studied with Dr. Asa Gray at Harvard in 1872-3 and 1875-6. In 1879 he received his Ph.D. from the State University of Iowa, and in 1898 Iowa College conferred upon him the honorary degree of LL.D. He married Lucy Athearn, of West Tisbury, Martha's Vineyard, Mass., December 25, 1873.

Doctor Bessey was acting president



of the Iowa State College at Ames in 1882, where he was professor of botany from 1872 to 1884.

In 1884 Doctor Bessey became professor of botany at Nebraska. In 1889-1891 and again in 1899-1900 he was acting chancellor. At the latter date he was offered the chancellorship which he declined in order to continue his life work in botany.

The numerous books, pamphlets, and articles in the field of his science were recognized as authoritative the world over. Among his many publications were: Geography of Iowa (1876), Botany for High Schools and Colleges (1880), Essentials of Botany (1884), Elementary Botanical Exercises (1892), The Phylogeny and Taxonomy of Angiosperms (1897), Elementary Botany (1904), Plant Migration Studies (1905), Synopsis of Plant Phyla (1907), The Phyletic Idea in Taxonomy (1908), Outlines of Plant Phyla (1909-'11-'12-'13). He edited McNabb's Morphology, Physiology, and Classification of Plants (1881).

Of the American Naturalist he was botany editor from 1880 to 1897, and since that date editor of the Science department of that publication.

In many scientific societies he held membership. Before the signal honor of the presidency of the American Association for the Advancement of Science in 1910-1911, he had been president of the Botanical Society of America (1895-6); of the Society for the Promotion of Agricultural Science (1889-91); of the Department of Natural Science of the National Educational Association (1895-1896), and of the American Microscopical Society (1902).

He was a member of Torrey Botany Club, the Academy of Sciences of St. Louis, the Washington Academy of Science, the Wild-Flower Preservation Society, the American Forestry Association, the American Breeding Association, the Nebraska Rural Life Commission, Phi Beta Kappa, and Sigma Xi.

HUSKERS FACE ODDS

WESLEYAN FAVORITE IN TOMORROW'S CONTEST

COYOTES COMING STRONG

Two Hundred Rooters With Methodists—Huskies Hold Rehearsal

—Game Will Be Last
of the Season

The game with the Wesleyan Coyotes tomorrow night—the last contest of the year—looms up as the stiffest and most interesting struggle of the Cornhusker schedule. Nebraska's victory earlier in the season was the source of much lament to the Methodist school, and the Coyotes have made big preparations to regain their lost prestige. The work of the Methodists in late games has been notable. They are in superb condition and have been pointed toward this game ever since their defeat at Nebraska's hands. With the vacancies in the Husker lineup and the recent injuries to some of the men, the versatile Coyote quintet stand a good chance to make it one and one.

The Coyote team will be reinforced by large numbers of Yellow and Brown adherents when they enter the City of Lincoln tomorrow evening. Indeed, the town must be planning to take Lincoln en masse, for the one hundred tickets sent out to the Holy City yesterday afternoon were disposed of in two hours, and the management was asked to send as many more. In deference to this showing, one hundred of the two hundred reserved seats have been set aside for the Wesleyan contingent. Just how many general admission squares will be left for Husker rooters when the whole body of Coyote supporters are assembled is a question of grave concern. Certain it is that every Husker desirous of obtaining the increased prominence and privilege afforded by the holding down of a reserved seat should make his reservations early.

One more practice lies between the Huskers and the last contest of the season. Yesterday afternoon a light rehearsal was put on by most of the regulars. Shields was playing Mill.

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FINAL GRADES TO BE SENT TO STUDENTS

All Students to Be Favored With Report of Examinations—Will Relieve Many Students of Worry

A report of final examination grades is to be sent hereafter to all the students of the University, instead of the usual method of mailing notices to delinquents only. The reports will be out in about three weeks.

This innovation causes the Registrar's office considerably more work, but it is thought that the change will be beneficial for the students in that it relieves them of any unnecessary work as to whether or not they made their hours.

Heretofore all men and women that have been lucky enough to finish the first semester's work without an "incomplete" or "condition" were forced to apply at Registrar Greer's office for their grades in the examinations.

FRESHMEN TO HAVE SECTION IN ANNUAL

Snapshots and Other Pictures of Worthy Classmen and Football Team to Be Included

A special section in the Cornhusker for the Freshmen.

Various reasons are given for this liberality—unwanted liberality—of the management of this big annual, but so far none have been offered that are satisfactory. Not only will this part of the book be filled by snapshots, but pictures of the dignitaries will also be given. The staff have been active and the section promises to be representative.

The varsity football men who received 1918 sweaters will meet at Townsend's today at 12 o'clock sharp for the one picture that is needed to complete the section.

WANT FRESHMAN GIRLS TO ATTEND GAME

All Urged to Attend Game Tonight and Root for Their Team

The leaders of the Freshman girls have urged all the girls in their class to attend the games tonight and support their classmates. There will be a reserved section for the Freshmen rooters. Everyone is urged to wear the Freshman regalia. A few Freshman hats may yet be secured at Miller & Paine's by depositing twenty-five cents.

MONSIEUR BEUCAIR

DRAMATIC CLUB WILL PRESENT
THIS PLAY ON MARCH 13

SNYDER AND WILLIAMS LEADS

Clever English Comedy-Drama Now Under Direction of Miss Howell
—Will Be First Dramatic Play of Year

On Saturday night, March 13, the play lovers of the University will have the opportunity to see a real live comedy-drama. The Dramatic Club will give "Monsieur Beaucair," by Booth Tarkington. The scenes are laid in England. The characters are composed of both English and French. With the English manners and the French dialect, and typical English minuets, we are expecting something very interesting. Professor Colburn of the French department has aided Miss Howell with the French dialect. Following is a list of characters:

BeucairL. Snyder
WintersetD. Foster
MoeyneauxH. Agor
Lady MaryElla Williams
RoikellMaurice Clark
LacyEva McNamara
Lady GreenburyMiss Maryett

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DR. JOHN METZ WILL ADDRESS POLITY CLUB

Dr. Metz, From Munich, Germany, Will Address Joint Meeting of Polity and Men's Faculty Clubs

Dr. John Metz, of Munich, Germany, will address the World's Polity Club next Monday evening. This club was organized some time ago and is composed of many of the leading students and faculty of the University.

On Thursday evening the Men's Faculty Club and World's Polity Club will hold a joint dinner at the Lindell Hotel and Doctor Metz will address the members later in the evening.

Junior-Senior Debate

The Junior and Senior debating teams will meet tonight in the first contest of the interclass debates. The debate will be held in U. 106 at 7:30.

CHEMISTRY CLUB HAD SKILLED VISITOR

Professional Glassblower Gave Demonstration of His Skill Before Club Members

The Students' Chemistry Club held its regular meeting in the Chemistry Lecture-room, Wednesday evening. President R. E. Kirk introduced Mr. Smith, a professional glassblower, who gave a very interesting demonstration of his skill. After several glassblowing attempts on the part of students, the meeting adjourned.