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HUSKERS TOP OFF FOR BIG EVENTS

Track Men are Being Whipped Into Shape

MINNESOTA SATURDAY

Kansas Dual Meet, Missouri Valley Conference and Western Conference Remain on Sport Schedule

The Cornhusker track squad has a hard schedule before them, which includes the Minnesota Gophers, booked for next Saturday at Beatrice. The dual meet with Kansas is slated for Lawrence, after which the Huskers will square off for the Missouri Valley Conference meet at Columbia. Nebraska will wind up its track activities with the western conference meet at Chicago on June 1.

The superb form which the Husker runners displayed in their dual meet with the Ames "Cyclones" has convinced Dr. Stewart that his athletes can hold their own against the Western stars in the conference meet on Stagg Field. The director of athletics said today that he "would probably send eight Cornhusker athletes to participate in the Chicago meet." Captain Townsend and Harold McMahon will be entered in the 100-yard, 220-yard, and 440-yard dashes; Grau will run the half mile, Byron McMahon will participate in the 440-yard dash, while Mike Finney will face the gun in both hurdles. Kretzler will be available for the mile, and Graf will be called upon to run the two-mile. Graf, winner of the two-mile in last year's valley conference meet, has a large number of supporters who are backing him to win his race at Chicago. Gerhart has been steadily improving in the pole vault and last week he cleared the bar at 11 feet 4 inches, and if he adds a few more inches to this mark he will also make the trip to Chicago with the Nebraska squad.

WRIGHT LEAVES TODAY FOR PATROL SERVICE

Receives Call Monday Which Ends Furlough Beginning Last September

John Charles Wright, '19, leaves today for Detroit, Mich., preparatory to re-entering the patrol boat service at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station.

Wright entered the patrol service early last spring and was at the lakes during the summer returning to Lincoln on an extended furlough after the University had opened. He received his call Monday to report for duty.

The business management of the Awgwan which Wright has been handling will probably be handled by the assistant manager until his successor is elected.

WOMEN CALLED UPON FOR GREAT SACRIFICES

Miss Sarah Snell Talks on "College Girls' Opportunities" at Tuesday Vespers

"This year we are viewing things with a better spirit than a year ago," said Miss Sarah Snell, traveling secretary of the Student Volunteer, at vespers Tuesday in the Y. W. C. A. rooms in the Temple. Her subject was "College Girls' Opportunities." Theda Waterman presided and Ruth Welch gave a solo. "We now have a great outlook upon the world," Miss Snell remarked. "We realize that we are citizens of the whole United States and must uphold its ideals. We are not simply facing the question of winning the war, but of reconstructing the world.

"The men are showing great heroism and self-sacrifice. The world is therefore calling upon the women for just as big things. The women's part is tremendous in reconstruction. It is very real and vital because it will help

to make the work safe for democracy." The missionary boards are going forward with new programs. Women are needed in all departments. At the close of the war it will not only be the remaking of our country, but a world program of reconstruction.

Campus Will Be Scene of Anti-Barberry Campaign

Three hundred barberry bushes will be dug up on the University farm campus and probably double that number on the main campus of the University of Nebraska and the campus of the medical college at Omaha, according to special agents of the United States department of agriculture, who are conducting an anti-barberry campaign in Nebraska. The leaves of the barberry bush are the hatching places of wheat rust. In addition to eradicating the bushes from the campuses of state schools, state officials will see to it that the bush will go from the campuses of state buildings, parks over the state, lawns of private residences, and public playgrounds.

SKILLFUL PLAYERS TO COMPETE IN CO-ED MEET

University Women Open Baseball Season on Field Today

TEAMS ALREADY CHOSEN

Large List of Sportswomen Will Participate in Big Series of Class Games Ending Next Tuesday

Much intensive practice has produced some very skillful players who will compete in the co-ed baseball series which will begin today with the junior-freshmen game at 6:30 o'clock on the athletic field.

The second game will be the sophomore-senior game to be played Thursday, May 2, at 6:30 and the final will be played Tuesday, May 7, at 6:30 o'clock.

Captains have been elected as follows: Senior, Mildred Chapin; junior, Orpha Carmean; sophomore, Ruth Brigham, and freshman, Mary Stephens.

First team players will receive 100 points in the W. A. A. and members of the winning first team will receive 150 points. Fifty points go to members of the second teams and substitutes of the first teams.

Mrs. Jessie Behtol Lee will umpire the games.

List of Class Teams

Class baseball teams have been chosen as follows:

Seniors: Mildred Chapin, catcher; Blanche Higgins, catcher; Grace Nichols, first base; Camilla Koch, second base; Valentine Minford, third base; Lillian Wirt, shortstop; Bertha Bates, shortstop; Nellie Bloodgood, leftfield; Georgia Boggs, centerfield; Beatrice Dierks, rightfield; Christine Hansen, outfield. Substitutes—Lulu Mann, Kate Helzer, Mary Alice Davey.

Juniors: Josephine Strode, catcher; Helen Hewitt, pitcher; Orpha Carmean, first base; Katherine Kohl, second base; Mary Spence, third base; Opal Lintz, shortstop; Madeline Girard, shortstop; Gertrude DeSautelle, leftfield; Pansy Read, centerfield; Marguerite Lonam, rightfield; (Continued on page four)

DRAMATIC CLUB VETERANS TO GIVE ORIENTAL COMEDY

Heroes and Heroines of Former Plays to Appear at Saturday Evening Performance

The exquisite little Japanese playlet "Madame Butterfly," based on the story of the opera, will be the headliner of the Dramatic club vaudeville which is to be given Saturday evening at 8 o'clock in the Temple theatre. All seats sell for 25 cents, may be bought of any member of the club and are reserved at the College Book Store.

The cast of "Madame Butterfly" includes the very best members of the club. Susie Scott whose ability to play both comedy and tragedy roles so charmingly, and who made such a hit as "Miss Kite" in "The Passing of the Third Floor Back," is especially fitted for this part in more ways than one since she has worked the play up before as a reading Katharine (Continued on page four.)

JUNIOR ATHLETES TO HOLD BIG MEET

High School Lads in Track Events Saturday

107 ENTRIES FILED

15 High Schools Represented on Nebraska Field—Gothenburg, Lincoln and Omaha Show Up Strong

A total of 107 athletes, representing 15 high schools have filed their entries for the annual state meet classic to be held on Nebraska field Saturday afternoon. This year's entry list exceeds last year's entries and the present prospects are that it will even eclipse the successful 1917 meet. Four teams sent in their applications after the entries had been closed and consequently they will not be allowed to participate in the events Saturday.

Dr. Clapp, who has charge of the affairs in general, has spent a good part of his time making the final preparations for a record smashing meet and the complete list of officials will be published tomorrow. The management are counting on Omaha, Gothenburg, and Lincoln to send over large delegations of rooters and every indication point to a crowded stadium.

Many dopsters have made several attempts to pick the probable winner and as dope now stands, Lincoln and Gothenburg seem to be the prime favorites, with the odds resting with Gothenburg. Mervin Layton, last year's individual point winner, is said to be up to his old tricks this spring, which means that Gothenburg is practically sure of thirty points from this star alone. Omaha has a veteran team led by Maxwell and Larson, while Lincoln is expected to make a strong showing.

List of Entries

The high schools which have entered and the men they will send follow:

Albion: W. Harris, C. Walters. Callaway: Brega, Dimmitt, Dunn, Frederick, Hall, Smith, Young. (Continued on page four)

REGENTS SLOW TO GRANT ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURES

Consult Until Midnight Concerning Departmental Budget in Effort to Conserve . .

Work on the budget for 1917-18 was carried forward by the board of regents in their meeting last night but at the time of their adjournment near midnight only a portion of it had been completed.

Every effort is being made this year to conserve in every possible manner and at the same time retain the maximum efficiency and a great deal of work is required in preparing the new schedule. Reports of heads of various departments have been made concerning possible economies and these are being carefully considered before appropriations are voted.

The board may meet today to finish up the work and a complete report will probably be made at the time of their adjournment.

Gives Student Fund Insurance Present

When Leland M. Towle, '18, withdrew from school last week to enter the service of Uncle Sam he took out \$10,000 of soldiers' insurance, the maximum amount that the government allows for each soldier—and thereby hangs a tale.

Mr. Towle, realizing as he said, what the University has meant to him and what it may yet mean to him both as a soldier and later in civilian life made the Student Loan Fund of the University of Nebraska the beneficiary for 1-10 of the premium, of \$1,000. At present there is about \$3,500 in this fund and it is used largely though not exclusively by engineering students as short time loans, under the direction of members of the faculty.

While the insurance policy itself must be made to only one beneficiary and that to a dependent relative Mr. Towle simply arranged with his regularly appointed beneficiary, his mother, to turn over to Dean C. C. Engberg \$1,000 in behalf of this fund in case of the policy maturing.

Over Forty Nurses Aids in Service in France

About forty-eight nurses aids have been put in active service in France, according to a statement issued by Miss Jane Delano, director of the Red Cross department of nursing.

These women are not graduate nurses but have had training in first aid, bandaging, and the like. They are all volunteers and most of them are paying their own expenses. It is practically useless for girls who have had first aid courses to consider work in France unless they are prepared to pay their own expenses. It is also necessary to take some preliminary training in a hospital approved by the Red Cross.

Most of the nurses aids now in the service are to help in child welfare in devastated districts.

Co-Eds Should Arrange Tennis Schedules at Once

All girls who wish to be eligible for the tennis tournament must hand in a schedule of their free time before Thursday noon, May 2. These schedules should be put in Miss Dorothy Baldwin's mail box, G-202. Ermine Earman is sports leader for tennis.

MILITARY MACHINE LITERALLY HUMMING

No Drag in Work of Cadets This Year

COMPETITION VERY KEEN

With Only Two Drills Before Compet Companies Prepare With Never-ending Zeal—Issue Invitations.

Two more drills—and then Compet. That is the thought that will be on the mind of every cadet in the University regiment tonight when "assembly" is called for the drill hour. For the past two weeks the drilling has been conducted at a fever heat, the dust-covered suits at the end of drill hour testifying as to the close acquaintance a large number of students are getting with Mother Earth.

The annual competitive drill is to be held Friday afternoon commencing at 1 o'clock. The first announcement as to the definite date of the event was given out one week ago, and it was almost impossible to realize how short the time until compet would be at hand. A few of the companies started immediately drilling extra time, the two hours for "non-com" drill being utilized for company drill, so some of the more wide-awake have secured a slight lead. But from appearances Monday and Tuesday night every man in the regiment has awakened to the fact that time is short, very short.

Competition to Be Keen

The zeal and "pep" displayed this week give indication that one of the closest compets ever staged on the athletic field will be seen Friday. Tuesday night nearly every company had a full turnout, and the work had the finish that would be expected of veterans. In skirmish work particularly the new men and high school men have displayed great ability, and have learned "rushes" and "charge" and arm signals so readily as to make the addition of these men with less than a year's training no cause for worry to officers in charge, for fear that a few men might spoil a year's effort.

A feature of Compet this year is the invitations which the military department had engraved and are furnishing to the cadets at cost. They are simple and inexpensive, in harmony with the demand for thrift during the war, and yet serve their purpose as well as could be desired. They have proven popular with the cadets, there being very few men who have not ordered a number.

To Have Shirt-Tail Parade

The shirt-tail parade, which promises to be one of the big events of the season in the military department, will be held Friday night after-Compet, when the winning company will lead the regiment through the streets, theaters, candy kitchens, finally ending at the Lincoln hotel, where the thirsty will be cared for. The honor of heading this unique procession is one for which every company is striving, and with only two more days for preparation there will be a considerable amount of dust evident during drill hours, while those who drill on the campus will make life a burden for the ground-keeper.

DESPOTIC HAND THREATENS WORLD

Germany Has Inflicted Suffering on Every Nation

A PRODUCT OF BISMARCK

Early Prussian Leader Is Father of Blood and Iron Teaching, Says Dr. W. E. Bohn at Convocation

"All the nations of the world have suffered at the hands of the German imperial government," said Dr. W. E. Bohn at Convocation yesterday morning. He went on to say that of all the nations Germany herself had suffered the most because it has lost its nation character.

We see from the great German epic, the Niebelungenlied, that the Germans once had a love of freedom equalling our own. Their wonderful music, their fairy tales and love for little children, all attested to this love. "What has so transformed, so transfigured them?"

Dr. Bohn then conducted his audience to a German village schoolhouse where the children are very good and the word of the schoolmaster is law. There the Bible lesson was the most important and out of it the teacher brought the meaning of the word Wilhelm which is "the protector" and emphasized the fact that the kaiser was their protector and that his government was the best in the world. This was so impressed upon them that they react upon it automatically when they grow up and that is the matter with them now.

Geographical Influences

He then sketched briefly the geographical position of the various world powers and its influence upon their growth and development. In the middle the chief method of communication was by the great waterways of the world and these were lacking to Germany so when Bismarck had (Continued on page two)

"BE ORIGINAL" SAYS DAILY DRIFT EDITOR

Dr. A. L. Bixby Entertains Newswriters With Talk on "Newspaper Humor"

Dr. A. L. Bixby, of the Nebraska State Journal, spoke to members of the journalism classes of the University and visitors Tuesday evening in Music hall of the Temple. The subject of the address was "Newspaper Humor."

Dr. Bixby is especially well prepared to speak on his subject. He is now editor of the "Daily Drift" column of the Journal, which is held in nation-wide repute. He has been in this particular branch of journalism longer than any other man in the country. During this time he has also produced two volumes of poetry though just recovering from a six weeks' stage of sickness. Dr. Bixby gave an unusually interesting address and held the closest attention of the classes. His sudden transitions from a deep grave pathos to a rare quaint humor charmed his listeners and kept the interest from lagging at any moment.

The gist of all he said might be put—"Be original." He particularly emphasized the desirability of having a "sense of humor." In fact, he said, "The person who has no sense of the ludicrous is no pleasant company for himself or any one else." He demonstrated his meaning with examples drawn from his own life.

Near the close of his remarks, Dr. Bixby made a strong plea for cleaner journalism. He urged every member of the classes who intended taking up journalism as a profession, to abstain scrupulously from using any vicious attacks on public or private enemies in the heat of a campaign or quarrel.