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IS HOMECOMING WORTHWHILE?

Homecoming tomorrow! What a host of visions it conjures up. To some it is a day almost revered among Nebraska traditions. To others it is a day of licentious merrymaking. To some it is a chance to renew connections with the University, to see the school once again and to feel its powers, its sympathies, its glories.

To others, it is merely an opportunity to see a football game. Those who can see nothing more than a football game to Homecoming are unfortunate. They are missing a great portion of the Homecoming spirit.

It is true that the football game will probably be the central attraction of Homecoming day. Kansas and Nebraska have been traditional rivals for so long now that a Cornhusker's spirit instinctively flies up when the Jayhawk is mentioned. Nebraska has learned from experience that the Jayhawk will play against the Huskers as he will against no other opponent except Missouri. Nebraska has had the best of the dual for over ten years, but the Kansans have, by sheer fighting spirit, kept alive the original rivalry between the two schools.

Although the football game is by no means all of the Homecoming, it is a most significant part. It furnishes the graduate a chance to see and to feel the spirit of the school, to reunite those bonds of loyalty to college and state which flamed so intently during by-gone college days. Homecoming, more than any other game, brings Nebraskans together. Alumni are present at other games, it is true, but only in small numbers. At other games, it is the student body alone which feels itself drawn together in a common bond of spirit and loyalty. Homecoming blends the spirit of the present with the spirit of the past; unites the graduate struggling with the world and the student who is soon to join him.

The more alumni who catch the spirit, that feeling of personal attachment to the University of which they were once an integral part, the greater will be the value of Homecoming. A successful state university in the future must depend upon the regard in which it is held by its graduates. If they can retain the school spirit which they cherished in University days, can still feel that the University is their own now as well as formerly, the school need not worry about the interest which its alumni will take.

A satisfactory mood of student spirit, student earnestness, and student hospitality will be a most significant factor in assisting alumni to find anew the common spiritual bond of old.

Now the senior class has some minor officers. Only twenty-five members of the class were present to choose them, but the president told this scattering selection of seniors that "this would be a great year for the senior class". Each officer then made his speech about what he would do to help the senior class. Now they will arrange for their pictures in the Cornhusker and call it a day.

Ho! Hum!

INTELLECTUAL STIMULATION

As a pendulum swings to one extreme and then the other, football and then cultural topics take up the outside interests of the student body. Although at this moment alumni are arriving for the football clash, students are preparing for homecoming, and football is being passed from mouth to mouth, so is the arrival of "The Prairie Schooner" being heralded with some degree of interest in the other extreme.

This magazine, which is a safety valve for the literary members of the campus, measures up to its requirements admirably—"A medium for the finest writing of the prairie country". Between its very yellow covers are vivid descriptions and interesting examples of life in this prairie country (which is not now in its true form).

The "Prairie Schooner" is entitled to a little editorial back slapping for it has existed on the campus one year—this same campus which has so often been charged with intellectual death. If the magazine is successful it will be partly because of its editorial attitude, which is characterized in the "Ox Cart", a department reserved for editorial comment, as a magazine published with all the "delightful sensations of a young father". We say the magazine will only be successful in this way because we think that if the students merely wish to read that type of writing they will turn to Harpers and its kin. But when local slants are thrown on subjects, and where refreshing editorial comment such as the above appears, the magazine will hold more interest for the students.

Staff members of the Schooner appear anxious re-

GREEKS TO PLAY AT WATER POLO

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winning team will be judged upon a standard of points. Fifteen points will be given: each team that enters and plays one game in the competition for the all-year trophy. Ten additional points will be given to winner of first place, and five points to the runner-up. In event of forfeitures of games, the team forfeiting will lose their entrance points.

Being a very modern sport, it is attracting a great deal of attention, and this between fraternity teams are expected to prove very exciting. A team is composed of seven men

who, by dribbling and passing, advance the ball toward their opponents goal until they are in position to make the goal. In this respect a similarity is seen to team play in other sports. A goal is scored by using the head, feet, or one hand. The goal net is ten feet wide and three feet above the surface of the water.

The game is very short, but according to the men who have participated in the sport, interesting. The cooperation of all fraternities is asked by the athletic board, and will be shown in the number of entries registered.

Women students at the University of Missouri are not allowed to make week-trips without the written consent of their parents.

NEBRASKANS TO STAGE RALLY

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"Rufe" Dewitz, and Clarence Swanson will be the main speakers at the rally this evening, and in addition, three senior members of the Cornhusker football team will address the assembly. The band will play, and cheers will be led by Sidles, Dox and Childs. Nebraska's pep organizations—Corn Cobs and Tassels will assist in the affair. The Corn Cobs will make their usual tour of sorority houses this evening, and in all probability the Tassels will visit fraternity houses. The object of these calls will be to urge attendance at

garding the financial side of the venture. We hope the magazine can be established upon a firm financial footing with the help of a patronizing student body. Then the campus geniuses can stretch their literary wings and write away.

ON TO THE STUDIO!

The upperclassmen have failed! Unless a bomb jars them out of their complacent indifference no amount of work by the Cornhusker staff can make the 1928 annual representative. The essential material which makes it mirror the Nebraska campus can only come through the co-operation of the student body.

The class sections are only a true record when they contain the picture and record of every junior and senior. The Cornhusker staff can not hound the upperclassmen to the studios; they ought to have developed enough interest to be trusted to have their own pictures taken.

Less than two hundred and fifty photographs have been taken for the class sections in spite of assigned lists. The panels must be in the hands of the engravers by November 10 which means eight hundred students must have their pictures taken in the next week or the panels will fall short of last year's record.

The upperclassmen have considered the matter as something to be done in the future—when they have more time and more money. They do not realize that it can not all be done in a day; that the photographs are but the first step of an elaborate process before the panels are bound into the final product.

They have consistently ignored the assignments, and if they persist in this, the charge of an unrepresentative Cornhusker will be only too true, but the charge must be laid to the student body. They cannot deny the blame, but the Cornhusker staff does the worrying.

RETURN CHECKS

In yesterday's Soap Box appeared a letter criticizing a Stadium rule which bars the issue of return checks at football games. An aggravated spectator at the Syracuse-Nebraska game left his rain coat in his automobile and as he was about to leave the Stadium to get it he was refused a return check.

Several years ago when football was played on the old field it was possible for spectators to leave the stands at will. This plan caused confusion and petty arguments as to the validity of the return checks.

In the new Stadium there has been little need for the use of the return checks, as this structure is equipped with all comfort conveniences to be desired. There are perhaps a few cases, that might require attention.

If the policy of the athletic department is to serve its football patrons efficiently and courteously they will change this rule if they find it necessary.

THE SPECTATOR

For a Time I was in fear that The Prairie Schooner would not make its appearance, but I have observed that it is now on the Newsstands and my Heart has been warmed. Yet there are numerous obvious Criticisms to be made, and I have heard considerable Comment upon the Magazine, which, however, has seemed to be more Favorable than otherwise. This in itself would naturally lead me to cast a doubtful Eye, for I have made it an Axiom with myself that whenever the Multitude approves of a Thing, then it is certain something is Wrong with it.

I have heard some Comment to the Effect that a certain Poem in the Schooner, called "Calamity Jane," was only commonplace, and this, it seems to me, were an unfavorable Reflection upon a literary Magazine, to be called commonplace. But upon scrutinizing the ballad in Question I was led to the Conclusion that it really is a very commendable Piece of Work; and upon reflecting further it appeared to me that perhaps my Incomprehensibilia have worked some Influence on the Campus, for I reasoned that the Critic of whom I speak had been led to believe that if a Verse were intelligible it is not worth Anything. Now this is a mistaken Impression, and I am sorry if I have created it; but there seems to be nothing for me to do but go on printing my Incomprehensibilia, since there is, I have discovered, a Demand for it.

Upon other Poetry in the Schooner I also heard Comments, chief among them being that the Chinese poems did not seem to have much Sense. Not knowing the wherefore of Chinese poetry, myself, I was hardly in a Position to defend it, so I let the Remark pass with the Observation that after all, why should a Poem have Sense? Thus my Position on Poetic Theory became unfortunately obscure and Abstruse, but I could not help it so dropped the Matter.

I have observed that my old Friend Gaffney has turned serious indeed, and has written a ponderous article for the Schooner. I confess I never suspected he would be that serious-minded, for he always seemed to me rather Frivolous in Character, despite the Fact that he works in the same Office with Professor Hall Frye.

Meanwhile, the demand for Incomprehensibilia has made itself felt, and in my Mail yesterday I discovered a Contribution. I do not approve of the Verse and I should mention here that a pseudonym is commendable if it is well-conceived, but when both is a bad Thing. For example, my Friend Gaffney can coin pseudonyms at the Rate of three an Hour, which is almost as speedy as his rate for composing Poems, and all of Gaffney's pseudonyms are Noble and Inspiring. My correspondent in this Case signs himself "Irma A. Suchy," and I leave my Readers to judge of the failure of the pseudonym. But I print the Communication:

To the Spectator:
We would add to your Incomprehensibilia with a composition that is so incomprehensible that only the momentary insanity incited by a bonfire of fallen leaves is responsible for it. What your caustic wit on its unsuspecting words, but we shall care not, we have already forgotten it.
The crackling of dry leaves
is
the death rattle in the throat of summer
as it dies
reluctantly.
The flame burns blue and
witches dance on the coals.
The wind whines protesting
Good-bye, summer, good-bye!

Notices

Lutheran Club
Lutheran students are invited to a Hal-
loween party to be given in Temple 204,
Friday at 8:00 P. M.
Palladian Literary Society
The Palladian Literary Society will have
an open meeting Friday evening in the
Temple, third floor, at 8:30. The program
will consist of musical numbers and read-
ings.

the bonfire rally.

Many fraternities and sororities are taking up the pep-idea of answering their 'phone calls with a "Beat Kansas!" Upperclassmen prophesy that the Homecoming "grads" will be greeted by an unusually "peppy" aggregation of Husker students. A great deal depends upon the freshmen for the success of the bonfire rally, and fraternities are enforcing very strictly the requirement concerning boxes.

Every freshman in the University of Nebraska is requested to be at the drill field tomorrow afternoon at 1 o'clock to take part in a pep-parade through town. The yearlings will follow the band down town, and will return to the drill field in time for the game.

HARRIERS MEET JAYHAWK SQUAD

Kansas Cross-Country Team
Looks Strong; Kaggies
Defeated

Husker harriers are due for a long afternoon Saturday when they meet the cross-country team from Kansas between halves of the Kansas-Nebraska football game, if past performances are any record.

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the Kaggie harriers who a week later triumphed over the Nebraskans. Frazier's running was one of the features of the Missouri Valley meet in the stadium last spring when he beat out Keith of Oklahoma for first in the two mile. The diminutive Jayhawk is considered to have a good chance to set a new course record if the weather is favorable.

Coach Schulte left Wednesday for Scottsbluff and will not be back until 1 o'clock Saturday. With nine men available, the cross-country squad is still uncertain as to which men will represent the Huskers against Kansas. Those not running officially will probably be permitted to run independently as a tryout for the valley meet. The nine men from whom six will be chosen are: Captain Johnson, Chadderdon, Sprague, Cummings, Batic, Janulewicz, Kibble, Griffen, and Etherton.

The Kansas meet will be the last run in competition for the Huskers

until they go to Manhattan November 16 for the annual valley meet. The Huskers have already had a try at the Manhattan course, meeting the Kaggies in a dual meet there two weeks ago.

Professors at the University of California find that married women receive higher grades than unmarried women.

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