

# Future of Football at Nebraska

It is of course difficult to predict with any degree of certainty the future of football in the University of Nebraska. Much depends upon the management and the policy pursued by it, and the interest taken by the school will have an influential effect. A successful immediate future, however, can be looked for, judging from present indications.

Regarding the outlook for next year, the prospects are good. Most of the old men will be back and will be well coached in the same manner that has brought Nebraska to the front in these past few years. Men who were comparatively new to the game and to the style of play here at the beginning have made splendid progress and developed into strong players and made a good record. Next season we may expect these men to show up in much better form and do much to strengthen the team. Others there are who have not shown up to the best that is in them, but the quality is there and another season's training will develop them into strong players.

A strong sentiment has become established and is steadily growing in the minds of the faculty and students in favor of football and throughout the state the people are taking an interest in the game. The game has been introduced into high schools within recent years where it has never been known before, and this will add new sources of supply from which material may be drawn in the future. And speaking in another sense, the crowds from abroad that attended the game with Illinois, show that this interest has been quickened into activity in many instances. Citizens of the state, including many old graduates, came from 100 to 200 miles to attend that game.

In rooting the students and people attending seem to realize their part, and the rooting from the side-lines has contributed greatly to the success of the team. They are able to infuse their spirit into the men on the team, and rouse them to greater effort. The band has done grand work this year, and will be a decided factor in the future.

A favorable feature that is noticeable in a marked degree has been the courteous treatment and sportsmanlike conduct extended to visiting teams. This is simply capital for the future, and it is for the best interests of all concerned for the students to see that visiting teams will be treated even more courteously, if possible, next year. Courtesy to teams that are our guests will be a large factor in the future in the strengthening of our ties with other colleges.

No one can realize how far-reaching a football game is. It is difficult to appreciate the numerous interests represented. We can in no wise afford to ill-treat or mis-use any visiting team, for such action is sorely felt and remembered by the institution experiencing it.

If Nebraska gets into the "Big Nine" and it is likely that she will during the next few years, it will be by making friends of the members of that organization. Illinois was our most faithful supporter at the meeting at Chicago the other day when Nebraska's request for admission was again refused. By treating these eastern institutions in a true sportsmanlike manner whenever

we meet them, and by reason of the excellence of our climate, we hope to educate them to a full realization of the desirability of playing here.

Next year we will play four and perhaps six state universities, two or three of these being members of the "Big Nine." We think that we will be able to further convince them that Nebraska can play up to the "Big Nine" standard.

Regarding improvements that can and probably will be made in the future, I think that a larger number of men should be coached and equipped for the game each year. Then, too, the scholarship of the players should be kept up even to a higher standard. The time will come when there will be more of a continuity of management, which should insure a more effective and permanent business policy, such as we now find in banks and large business houses.

There is every reason to believe that improvements can be made in the team in the future and that these will be made. The progress of the past few years holds out hope for greater progress in the future. In years to come we hope to see Nebraska holding her own and rounding out a glorious record season after season, causing all her rivals to fall before her invincible line of battle.

DR. CONNER.

## An Echo of the Game.

Colors and chrysanthemums and faces all aglow,  
Packed and crowded bleachers, rising row on row.

Cheer and song and shouting for a line of struggling men  
That rise and fall and stumble, and buck the line again.

At last the game is ended; the watchers homeward go;  
The weary player rises from a mass of mud and snow.

Now he realizes why this day of days is called

By the name Thanksgiving, for, pounded, bruised and mauled,

As he limps across the field and smoothes his tangled hair,  
He feels sincere thanksgiving that all of him is there.

## Evolution of the Student Store.

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The Co-Op has gradually grown with the university. Originally occupying a room in the basement of the main hall, it now has a home of its own. All the books and supplies used in the ever-growing departments of the university are in stock as needed by the various classes and a great many new lines of stock have been developed. Two or three years ago a pennant was a rare thing. The Co-Op began carrying these two years ago and now makes about seventy different styles and sizes. University pins are now carried in a great variety of styles, and

also hat pins, cuff buttons, souvenir spoons, etc. The new "Cornhusker" pin, designed as a souvenir of the football season, came from The Co-Op. A selected line of the best confectionery and the leading magazines were two new additions to the stock of the store last year. This year has seen several new styles of pennants and a line of fraternity and university stationery to meet the wants of the students.

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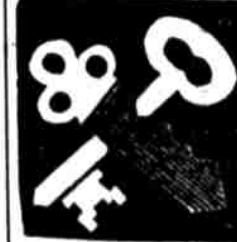
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