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EXCUSE ATHLETES captain, who threw the winning goal for her team in the match last year

Track and Base Ball Men Evade Ruling of Regents.

The cloud which has been hanging over spring athletics, occasioned by the order of the Board of Regents that no men should be excused from dril! this semester for athletics, has been dispelled. By application to Chancellor Andrews, the men presenting the proper credentials were excused from further drill this semester, upon the promise that they would enter the ranks next fall. This leaves the men recommended for track team work and for the baseball squad, free to devote their time to practice without being bothered by the consciousness of a heavy penalty hanging over them. Some thirty men have profited and there is no longer any danger of spring athletics being hampered through disparity of material. This news is received with Miss Koch, centers; and Miss Thomas rejoicing by the students in general, as it is doubtful if our University could have been properly represented on the track and on the diamond, had so many of our best athletes been tied up in the cadet battalion.

The basket ball team returned from its northern trip late Saturday night after splitting even in four hard games. The boys report a pleasant trip and excellent treatment. At Minnesota an informal dance was given after the basket ball game. This plan is generally pursued in the west, and the Colorado managers assert that it more than doubles their crowds and enables them to pay their expenses easily.

Nebraska won the game Friday night with the Minneapolis Y. M. C. A. by a score of 15 to 10. The ball was in Nebraska's hands two-thirds of the time, but the forwards seemed unable to hit the baskets. The floor was lined with posts, which interfered with our teamwork, and in this way held down the score.

Morningside was easy, but Sioux City simply ran away with our team. The center was six feet seven inches and could reach higher than Hewitt could jump, unless he climbed up, in which case they called a foul on him. All of Nebraska' signals depended on the center getting the ball, so they had to be abandoned.

The boys are still a little hazy about what happened to them at Minnesota. They were three points ahead at the end of the first half and were six in the lead when only ten minutes was left to play in the second, but in that last ten minutes the Gopher machinery started to work and before they could be stopped they had run up 28 points, making the score 42 to 21.

A BIG TOURNAMENT.

The Girls Basketball Teams Will Contest Friday Evening.

The girls' annual inter-class tournament for the University championship and the possession of the pennant for the season of 1904-05, will be held in the armory Friday evening. Most of the teams are now ready for the fray. The Senior team will be captained by Miss Emma Shinbur, one of the forwards of the 'Varsity. The Freshmen will be captained by their center and an experienced player, Miss Willa Adams, who is also a center on the second team. The Sophomores elected able to attend yesterday should try to Miss Margaret Pillsbury captain. The Juniors, champions of two seasons, have placed the fortunes of their team in charge of Miss Minnie Jansa, the brilliant Varsity goal thrower.

The Junior team, holders of the championship, after passing intact through two seasons, suffered this year city to get the famous "Little Gem dies of a satisfactory program. the loss of many strong players. Miss Hot Waffles." Special service for la-Pearl Archibald, last year's center and dies.

for her team in the match last year, is now in Dakota. The team's strong guard, Mrs. W. H. Leavitt (Miss Ruth Bryan), also deserted it. So did Miss Edna King, forward, once captain of the Lincoln high school team. Two others players not now in school are Miss Lorraine Comstock of Omaha, and Miss Frances Bell, who this semester is attending Cornell University. The Juniors have been reinforced, however, by some new material, in the return to the University of Miss Ruth Woodsmall and Miss Angie Roosa, former guards on 'Varsity second teams. The class of 1905 is well known to be enthusiastic and determined, and enthusiasm counts for a great deal. The team has "practiced a little at odd times," and though it can not claim the strength of the two preceding seasons, there are many who would not be surprised should it succeed in earning the right to inscribe the figures "1905" for the third successive time on the pennant of crimson and gold. Those representing the class on Friday night will probably be: Miss Roosa and Miss Woodsmall, guards; Miss Towne and and Miss Jansa, forwards.

THE FIRST CONTEST.

Preliminary Contest Tonight in Memorial Hall.

The first of the two preliminary debating contests will take place this evening in Memorial hall, when both sides of the question will be ably presented by the men- who are out for places on the interstate debating teams, The contest tonight coupled with the one tomorrow night will decide the membership of the teams that will meet Washburn and Kansas. The doors will be open early, so that the contest will begin at 7:30 instead of 8 p. m., at previously announced. No one will be admitted while a speaker is on the platform so that it will be to the interests of all to come early that they may not have any trouble in getting properly seated and be spared the necessity of waiting.

For the two contests some thirty men are registered. These men have been delving steadily for a week in the library having searched numerous works in their quest for facts to sustain their side of the question. In eight minutes' time each man will be expected to tell what he knows about his side of the question and in some instances indulge in rebuttal on the side. Hence each will be obliged to talk to the point and waste no time in getting to the point. All men who are to take part in tomorrow's contest are obliged to remain away from the meeting tonight.

The judges for these contests will be Professors W. G. L. Taylor, H. W. Caldwell, E. A. Ross, W. W. Cook, and F. C. French. The presiding officers have not yet been announced.

The giving out of free tickets is an innovation this year, and will undoubtedly result in bringing out a good crowd. A large number of these tickets have been given out, but they can be still secured at the executive office or from Secretary Ira Ryner or any of the speakers.

The girls who are to take part in the big minstrel show to be held by the Dramatic club soon, met in U. 106 yesterday morning to arrange for that stupendous production. Meetings will be held on Tuesday and Thursday, and it is desired that those who were not come out today at chapel time.

spring samples you ever saw. Now on sale at onehalf price. Sanderson's.

Sam's Cafe. The only place in the

THE SOPHS MEET

Meeting Results in Empty Dis cussion. Vice President Elected

After much difficulty the Sophomores met yesterday morning in the law lecture room and with a mighty effort succeeded in accomplishing the election of a vice president. It had been intended that the remainder of the class officers should be elected at this meeting after which the matter of the Som brero board was to be disposed of, but the various disheartening occurrences which delayed the meeting defeated the

President Smith's announcement of the meeting had named U. 106 as the place, but this had been preempted by the Dramatic club. The Juniors were in solemn assembly behind closed doors in U. 107, and refused to be distrubed. The Freshmen in the chapel were already undergoing the agonies which the Sophomores contemplated. And in the meanwhile the latter unfortunates filled the halls of the main building with loud lamentations. Someone announced that the large class room in the basement of the chapel was vacant, and a mad rush was at once instituted. After much difficulty it was ascertained that Dr. Clapp was conducting a class in the room, and once more despondency and gloom settled on the troubled souls of the underclassmen.

At length, after an extended discussion with the registrar, the law lecture room, in the main building was secured. About 250 Sophs. together with a motley crowd of exiled Seniors, Juniors and Freshmen, completely filled the room. President Smith at once called for order and calmly announced that nominations for vice president were in order. Hereupon someone suggested that a secretary would improve the lonesome appearance of the platform(and ex-Secretary J. C. Moore consented to act in that capacity. On account of a large number of Sophs being compelled to stand, it was suggested that a vote be taken by raising the hand. An instant objection was made to this proposal, on the grounds that the constitution provided that elections should be conducted by ba !lot. This in turn, was answered with demands for the constitution, which was not forthcoming.

Miss Jennie Whitmore and F. W. Upson were finally nominated for the vice presidency, but the close of the hour prevented the announcement of the ballot until after an adjournment had been taken. Miss Whitmore was elected by a majority of about 15 votes.

President Smith announced after adjournment that the class will meet again next Monday morning when it is hoped that matters may be settled to the satisfaction of all concerned.

MUST PAY DOUBLE

Stags Will Pay Extra at Senior Prom or else Not Come.

The Senior Prom. has been set for April 8 at the Lincoln hotel.

Following the example set by several other leading institutions, the managers have been considering very serious the "stag" question.

In these other institutions stags are charged double prices. This would very effectively do away with one of the worst features of our largest University functions. In the past stags have been a very serious menace to the Just received, the swellest lot of pleasure and enjoyment of these functions. They not only cheat a considerable number of the fair sex out of an evening's pleasure, but they also deprive the men who are loyal to the la-

The stags "butt in" and get several dances and the others find it impossi-

ble to fill their programs. Then those loyal men who get a fairly good program schedule are "button-holed" by at least two or three of their friends (?) who haven't any ladies, and who want only two or three dances. The result is that the stags have a fair time at the expense of the other fellows. This is unfair to themselves, to the other fellows and to many young ladies who deserve to go and who would gladly go.

It is up to the stags to "get busy" now and the Senior Prom will be the most enjoyable dance of the year

Y. W. C. A. Notes.

The object of this association shall be the development of Christian character in its members and the prosecution of active Christian work, particularly among the young women of the

The advisory committee of the Y. W. C. A. will be at home to all University girls at the Conservatory of Music. Thursday, evening, February 25, 1901, in honor of Miss Ruth Paxson, national secretary of the Y W. C. A. Freshmen and Sophomores, 8 to 9:30; Juniors and Senios, 9:30 to 11 p. m. Every girl should attend.

The girls of the association are always ready to listen to Miss Withers. and her talk at the meeting last Sunday was an inspiring one. Her subject 'A Stiff Course vs Snaps," was one which has a particular attraction for students. Her thought was "Endure hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ." Miss Mabel Stevens added much to the enjoyment of the occasion by rendering in her usual pleasing way a vocal solo. The attendance was not what it should have been, but the girls. by the intensity of their interest, made up for their lack in numbers. is an academic course?

Miss Ruth Paxson, national secretary of the Y. W. C. A., will visit the University of Nebraska February 24-29, 1904, and conduct the following services:

Thursday—Convocation, 10 to 10:30.; chapel noon meeting, 12:20 to 12:30; Vesper service, 5 to 6 p. m., U. 106. Friday-Noon meeting, 12:20 to 12:30; Vesper service, 5 to 6 p. m., U. 106.

Saturday-Open meeting, 2 to 3 p. m.,

Sunday-Quiet Hour, 9 to -10 a. m.; Y. W. C. A. Room Rally, 3:45 to 5 p. m., with Wesleyan and Cotner Universities and Lincoln Y. W. C. A.

You are urged to be present at any or all of these services.

INTER-CLASS TOURNAMENT

Freshmen Down the Seniors and the Snphs the Juniors.

The largest crowd that ever witnessed a class basket ball game was amply repaid for the trouble and money last evening when the Seniors lowered their colors to the Freshmen, and the Sophs defeated the Juniors by a decisive score. The Senior-Freshman game was the closest and best class game ever played at Nebraska, and was bitterly contested at every point of the game. The Freshmen got the jump on the Seniors at the start and maintained a good lead up to nearly the end of the first half, when the Seniors gingered up and forced the playing up to the end, when the score stood 10 to 9 against them. In the second half Myers took Milek's place, but could not stem the tide, although at one time he put the Seniors ahead by throwing three goals in rapid succession. The Freshmen responded to the cheers of their supporters, however, and soon put themselves in the lead, which they held until the last whistle when the

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