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THETA NU EPSILON

Rumor That Defunct Inter-Fraternity Will Be Revived.

One of the most persistent rumors that has been floating in the undercurrent of student life during the past few days is to the effect that Theta Nu Epsilon will be revived before the present school year is over. This news has come to our ears, but of course absolute information is lacking, as it was intended to keep the matter secret for the present. Several leading fraternity men upon being questioned regarding the matter did not deny the truth of it, but declared they could not affirm it.

As is well known Theta Nu Epsilon was an inter-fraternity organization that flourished during the first half of the nineties. However, the manners and customs of some of the members did not meet the approval of the faculty and as a result it was squelched during the administration of Chancellor Canfield. Intemperance is given as the chief reason for this action on the part of the faculty, which is said to have been taken to stop it flagrant abuse in student life.

It is understood that an entirely different code of conduct will govern the actions of the revived fraternity. The objectionable features that caused its condemnation by the faculty will doubtless be ruled out or at least kept on the quiet. Theta Nu Epsilon has, we understand, existed sub-rosa ever since the decisive action was taken by the faculty, but now if present indications do not fail it will appear once more as an independent and living organization.

The doings of the Beta Sigmas still remain shrouded in mystery, and no one can be found who will admit that he is a member of that body. Some have even confused it with the revival of Theta Nu Epsilon, but this seems to be a mistake, as we were given the impression that Beta Sigma was to be an independent fraternity. It is even thought that this organization may disappoint expectations, as the very scarcity of news concerning it seems to confirm the suspicion.

BALL PLAYERS IDLE.

Weather Bad for Practice—Trouble in Fixing Date.

Baseball has been paralyzed for the past few days on account of the wet grounds, and the men feel the need of an adequate cage for indoor practice more than ever. The only facilities offered for indoor work in the Armory are the rather poor ones of the gymnasium locker room which is both too dark and too narrow, so that only one pair of men can work at a time. As it is, when rain or snow interrupts the practice work, the men have to lay off altogether, and while a rest is doubtless good for many people and especially in heavy athletic training, still the season in Nebraska is not any too long with the best of weather, and it is less than a month now before the first series with Omaha.

Manager Bell is still worrying over the fact that he has been unable to sign a game for May 2. On an extensive trip such as the team makes in the last week of April and the first week of May, it is imperative that every date be filled in order that the expenses of the trip may be met, and this break coming right in the middle of the schedule is very discouraging.

Wisconsin has entered a general denial of the charges made against her by

Iowa and Minnesota in regard to her loose athletic management. Director Kilpatrick stated that a game of basketball had not been signed with either Iowa or Minnesota, that he had offered Minnesota a guarantee for baseball last year, but it had not accepted, and the correspondence of the department was carried on with the utmost promptness. It seems that Iowa sent a telegram to the basket ball manager asking him to telegraph if they were going to play Iowa, and since they had no intention of playing that team, no reply was deemed necessary. In no case did Wisconsin break a contract.

The California baseball season has already begun. In the coast league Stanford and California are the rivals in baseball that they are in all other sports, and the series of games is bitterly contested by these two old opponents. In a game at Stanford last week the Alumni and Varsity teams played eleven innings to a tie, 1 to 1. The Alumni made six hits during the game and their opponents nine.

The Chicago papers for Tuesday contained the report that a football game had been possibly scheduled between the Universities of Minnesota and Chicago to occur the second Saturday after Thanksgiving next fall. Although the reports seem somewhat indefinite, the contest would be of considerable interest to Nebraskans on account of our own contest with the Gophers.

The date of the girls' basket ball Minnesota, according to the Minnesota Daily, has been set for March 25. On the following evening the girls will play the Minneapolis high school instead of Stanley hall, as was at first announced.

Officers Initiate.

The officers had a big time on the campus yesterday afternoon, after returning from Townsend's Studio, where they had their picture taken. First Lieutenant W. P. Kimball, of the Signal Corps, who has recently been appointed to that position, was seized upon as a likely subject for initiation into the Officers' Club. Lieut. Kimball treated the campus to a well executed sword drill from the large rock just east of the library, under the graceful direction of Linn Huntington. After the conclusion of the sword exercise, Lieut. Huntington, under the persuasive urging of Captain Stanley and other members of the club, delivered an interesting and instructive address to the large mob which had been attracted by the uproar. The famous lieutenant of artillery had been foremost in securing the attendance of the other officers to set for their portraits, but had considered his labors ended with the accomplishment of that result and had forgotten to put in an appearance himself. His address proved ample atonement for the fault, however.

Fifteen officers were included in the picture. Two plates were taken.

Hand Book Will Soon Be Out.

Work on the Y. M. C. A. Students Directory is nearly completed and according to promises made will be out the middle of next week. The book promises to be an improvement over that of last year in that the fraternity affiliated organizations and connections with University organizations of the students are indicated. There will be no special changes as to appearance or make-up, except that the number of pages will be somewhat less than usual.

Special rate to students at Hendry's. Big Reduction.—Sanderson's Sale. Wright Drug Co., 117 No. 11th. Phone 313.

Box of cigars given away every day at Powell's Oliver theatre building.

Don Cameron's lunch counter for good service.

SUMMER SESSION

Strong Efforts Being Made Build Up Summer School.

SUMMER school

Matters are now being pushed preparatory to the completion of arrangements for our next summer school. The plans that have been formulated contemplate a great branching out of this important part of our University work, and a strong effort will be made to establish the summer session upon a firm foundation, so that with each passing year it may increase in efficiency and strength. In the past the summer school has hardly come up to expectations, and it is time that something should be done toward making it count.

The calendar committee which is composed of Registrar Clark and Professor Fogg, has had a hard time in arranging the matter for the summer school calendar. The write-ups of the courses in the various departments are so different in method and order of matter, that the committee has found it necessary to do some thorough revision work. It has laid out rules for capitalization, punctuation and size and style of type, as well as the order of topics, all of which innovations are certain to produce an improved calendar.

It has been said for some time in University circles that University publications should be more uniform in mechanical make-up and standard of diction. In making them compare favorably with the high class publications of leading institutions, a task of considerable proportions has been evolved. The University public should not fail to give due thanks to these men who have devoted several days of hard work to the task. The indications are good for the forthcoming calendar being the most tasteful and attractive University publication yet issued. It differs in many respects from the usual order of summer schools calendars of the past, but all the changes made tend toward improvement.

Work on the calendar is nearly completed, and it will probably appear about the middle of next week. It will contain a greater number of attractive and helpful courses than any previous summer program, strong efforts having been made to increase and strengthen these and great care being taken in the selection. The courses have been designed with the most practical aims in view. They will meet the needs as never before of grade and high school teachers, superintendents and principals, and University students.

There is an intimation that a rare opportunity and privilege will be extended to those registering, although the details are not available, but will be made known very shortly. Just what this will be we can not even conjecture, but we understand that it is something by which all of those who attend the summer school session will benefit. It will be an innovation of a striking character, and we have no doubt but that it will prove acceptable.

There will be no lecturers from abroad, although these are employed in many other summer schools. But here the general feeling of the faculty seems to be that such lecturers are not in full touch with University conditions, and consequently the courses are bound to lack uniformity in strength, scholarship and adaptability.

It is stated that the courses in the summer session program were selected upon the basis of replies received from experienced educators in the state, and from the University faculty. These were consulted as to their opinions of the courses that would best meet the needs and wishes of the students, and the selections were made after consideration. If the combined wisdom of

these men has not produced a program which shall meet the approval of students and teachers alike, it is felt that the summer session might as well be abandoned in the future.

This is rather a pessimistic view, but it is certainly justified. In the past the summer session has been favored with indifferent success. But now matters have been placed in the hands of a vigorous management, and if hustling and extensive advertising as well as a remodelling and strengthening of courses, can avail anything better success will be realized in the future.

Prof. Swezey's New Text Book

Professor Swezey has just published a new elementary laboratory manual entitled "Practical Exercises in Astronomy."

The science of astronomy has been somewhat slow in asserting its rightful place as a laboratory study in our schools and colleges, but the exercises given in this book fully demonstrate that, contrary to general opinion, profitable laboratory work in astronomy can be done without an observatory with its elaborate and costly instruments. It shows that one of the most interesting methods of studying the subject is by direct observation of the heavenly bodies and their motions with simple and even home-made devices.

Appended to the book are twenty full-page charts showing the constellations and star groups at different seasons, the zodiac, orbits of the planets, graduations of the circles, etc. These charts, somewhat enlarged, are furnished separately also, for the student in writing up his exercises.

The Manual is published over the print of D. Appleton & Co., of New York, and has the appearance of being a very convenient and valuable book. It is compiled from the experiments and problems that Professor Swezey has used for several years in his classes, and the success that have attended their use should assure the success of the manual in other institutions. The price of the volume is \$1.00 or \$1.50 with the charts. The charts are sold separately for 50 cents.

Inter-Society Basketball Game.

Next Saturday evening the Palladians and Unions will play a basketball game. This game will determine the inter-society championship, and great enthusiasm is being worked up. The Unions beat the Delians three weeks ago, and will try to mete out the same kind of treatment to the Palladians. Following is the line-up:

Palladians.	Unions.
Elliott forward (Capt.)	Milek
Myers	Milek
Newton (Capt.) center	Noyes
Ludden guard	Jones
Lightner	Bowman, Laird

Next Band Informal March 26th.

The next Band Informal will be held in the Armory Saturday, March 26. The usual music will be furnished. The band is also contemplating another concert before the end of the year, although nothing definite has been arranged. The proposed tour of the band is still in the air also, though several promising inducements have already been offered by various parties throughout the state. The trip will probably be made ultimately.

Chapin Bros., Florists, 127 So. 13th. The Whitebreast Co., at 1106 O St., is the place to buy coal.

Leming's, ice cream and candy: 11th and L Sts.

Pioneer barber shop, open till 8. 11th and O.

Lincoln Transfer Co. Baggage Phone 176.