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## IT IS WELL FILLED

Position Vacated by Chancellor Canfield Occupied by an Able Man, Geo. E. MacLean—A Life Sketch.

With this issue The Nebraskan presents its readers with a handsome supplement in the form of a half-tone engraving of the new executive of the university of Nebraska. It is taken from his latest photograph and is considered an excellent likeness. By this time, no student needs an introduction to him, but in the following lines may be found some interesting information concerning him.

As to his views on athletics in general and football in particular, the veriest enthusiast need fear no curtailment of privileges heretofore enjoyed. Chancellor MacLean was chairman of the committee of faculty on athletics in the Minnesota university and in that position has had ample opportunity to watch the effects of such a severe sport as football on the players.

He thinks the brutality of the game has been greatly exaggerated by the press, but that the game is valuable in cultivating that pluck every American citizen possesses, but which is endangered by a tendency of many city-bred young men to drift toward effeminacy. He says the sport is needed to bring out that pluck, besides to teach immediate self-control under the trying circumstances which present themselves upon the grid-iron. Like Chancellor Canfield, his views are very rigid respecting the professional in football playing, and if any indication of this is present in any of our games his foot may be expected to come down hard upon it.

### NEW STUDENTS' RECEPTION.

The chancellor is living strictly up to the new rules regarding preparatory students as published on page 74 of the course of study. Owing to the fact that these have been so generously distributed very few coming from the smaller towns of the state were turned away. The intention has been to receive anyone who has pursued the necessary course in a well-graded school. The difficulty seems greatest with Lincoln people who have become accustomed to sending their children to the university to pursue special studies. These special students are meeting with much disappointment in that only adults are admitted to this privilege.

The new executive has no code of rules formulated, which he desires to be put in force.

The old regime is still in force in every detail. Some changes in practices, however, are noticeable. The chief one is, that hereafter a proper committee of the faculty will consider and pass upon individual cases. These men are better acquainted with the details of such happenings and so are better able to pass justly upon them. This leaves the Chancellor in the position of a sort of court of appeal to which any may apply.

### THE CHANCELLOR'S ADDRESS.

The chancellor's address before the assembled students Friday morning was one long plea for their companionship. A bulletin announcing that he would speak in chapel before the faculty and students, was sufficient to fill it to overflowing. His speech, tentatively extemporaneous, was delivered in that steady and clear enunciation which we are beginning to appreciate.

Among the many pleasant remarks he made those present will remember what he said in regard to the welcome everyone will be accorded both at his office and home. In this connection he said:

"It gives me pleasure to welcome you to the office and the home of the Chancellor. The office, during all the hours it stands open, is always open to any student of this institution. The man or woman who wants to see me is the one

I want to see. It gives me the highest joy to welcome you to my fireside, both because you have no dormitories here and because God gave me a father's heart. I insist that the Chancellor's house be an open house for every student. In due time, as I find what would be the most convenient day and hour, there will be notice given when the Chancellor and his wife are at home to students. This is no formal invitation. As a mere professor, I could not help tacking on at the foot of my notice for office hours that the professor had an at-home for every student. You need to come to my home and to other homes like it. You especially need it. I repeat, in a university like this that does not pretend to pay special attention to those little details and accomplishments that are cared for in a young lady's seminary or in a very nice, little cottage. But we will make it up by having the open homes of the professor and Chancellor. With due notice, come often.

"Here there is an absolute equality. There is a democracy such as few governments of the earth have ever been able to realize, if they have realized it it has been but for a short period. But every student is the equal of every other student; every professor is a learner with those whom he is teaching. In the Republic of Letters there is always an aristocracy. That is to say, this democracy that is so absolute is possible because the best—because the best rule in it. We are a selected company, and so we can be absolutely democratic."

### A LIFE SKETCH.

George Edwin MacLean was born August 31, 1856, in Rockyville, Conn. He was reared in the Berkshire hills, at Great Barrington, one of the homes of Bryant in Massachusetts. His preparation for college was completed at Westfield academy and at Willistonseminary, East Hampton. He was graduated the third man in his class at Williams college in 1871. He bore a part in most of the various activities of college life. He was a Delta Kappa Epsilon, and a Phi Beta Kappa, an officer of one of the literary societies and of the Natural History society. He was an editor of the Williams Quarterly. He took the first prize in oratory.

In 1874 he completed the theological course at Yale, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Divinity from Yale and M. A. from Williams. He married a student from Mt. Holyoke seminary and was settled in two successful pastorates, one at New Lebanon, N. Y., and one in Troy, N. Y.

Between the years 1881-4 Mr. and Mrs. MacLean were in Europe. He matriculated in the university of Leipzig and devoted himself to philological and historical study in biblical exegesis and criticism and in English, particularly in the field of old English. He heard lectures by Professors Franz Wiltper, Heinze, Techler, Fricke and Bauer. He was a member of the seminars in biblical exegesis of Professor Franz Deltzsch and of Dr. Schnedermann, and of the seminar in Old English of Professor Wiltper. He spent the winter semester of 1882-83 in the university at Berlin and worked in seminar in Old and Middle English with Professor Julius Zupitza. He also heard Professor Weiss and Dillmann and Dr. Strack. In the spring a visit was made to England to study Old English manuscripts in the library at Cambridge, Oxford and the British museum. In the summer of 1883 he took the degree of Ph. D. at Leipzig. Before and after the university residence and during the long vacations he traveled extensively upon the continent and in Great Britain. In February, 1884, he was invited to occupy, for the spring term, the chair of English, left vacant by the death of Professor Marston, in the university of Minnesota. After the accession of President Northrop to the presidency Dr. MacLean was elected to the chair which he has filled ever since. In the rapid development of that university it is enough to say

Work has finally begun in all departments and everything is running smoothly. The smaller boy has disappeared from the campus and his place is more than filled by a greater number of large, athletic fellows. A great number of the students are accustomed to work and various forms of hard exercises and the close confinement of the study rooms tells upon them in time. To eradicate this evil the faculty decrees that all shall engage in some form of exercise as the gymnasium and the outdoor sports. Some of the boys take tennis and baseball while the larger and stronger take up that greatest of all out-door sports, football. Football is essentially a college game and is incapable of existing anywhere else, for who but the college man, backed by the plaudits and enthusiasm of his fellow students would undergo the hardship of a season's training. Nebraska holds an enviable position in football, but will she retain that high position for another season? This is the question that is asked Charles L. Thomas, the coach of the team, a dozen times a day. This is a hard question to answer and one college does not know what the other has until the season is well along. Nebraska lost only two games last year, one to Missouri and the other to Doane. The former team she meets at Omaha on November 2, but Doane says no. Manager Main realizes that he won last year by the way in which Captain Thomas handled the team on the field and also knows that he would be beaten if the teams were to come together this year, so he has steadfastly refused to negotiate for a game and gives as his reason that all of his dates are filled. We will watch and see if Doane plays every Saturday between now and Thanksgiving.

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## FOOTBALL OUTLOOK

A Good Coach Secured—The Boys are Already Working Hard—Systematic Training Begun—Athletic Notes.

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team: The Varsity team will practice each day on the west side of the campus at 4 o'clock. There are many vacancies to be filled and every one who comes out will be given every opportunity to learn the game. A second eleven will be organized and a regular captain chosen and games will be arranged for this team with some of the neighboring teams. Anyone who wishes an hour's exercise can come, and is welcome to go through the drill which the boys have each evening in preparation of the hard season which is before them.

AT PRACTICE.

The boys are already down to hard work. Every evening they may be seen on the campus between the hours of 4 and 5 performing various antics calculated to win the cup again for next year. Systematic team work has already begun and practice in following the ball, punt, catch, running with the ball, lining up, interference and tackle, is now the order of work. Gymnasium exercises are also taken.

A schedule for fall games has now been definitely arranged as follows:

Hastings, October 5; University club of Omaha at Omaha, October 11; Sioux City, October 12; Salt Lake, October 15; Butte, Mont., October 17; Denver, October 18; Omaha, October 26; Missouri state university, at Omaha, November 2; Kansas state university at Lincoln, November 16; Grinnell at Des Moines, November 23; Iowa state university at Omaha, November 28; Thanksgiving day.

WITH THE FRATERNITIES.

With the opening of the school year the various fraternities having been making changes calculated to increase the comfort of their members.

The Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity has secured the entire floor over 1132 N street. They are not yet settled, owing to a change in plans necessitated by the landlord's inability to guarantee them the house formerly occupied by D. E. Thompson, which had been promised them.

Beta Theta Pi fraternity surprised the student body by securing a most elegantly furnished chapter house this year. The new home of the chapter is located at 1925 H street, in a strictly university locality. The chapter enters school this year in a most prosperous condition, having ten active undergraduates and with the well-equipped house it surely can make itself felt this year in school.

The new law fraternity, the Phi Delta Phi, has not yet decided upon their quarters. As yet the members have not been brought together as the law school will not open until October 7.

The Delta Tau Delta boys have outgrown their old quarters and as they were the first U. of N. fraternity to have a chapter house it was quite fitting that they should keep up with the procession.

Their new house is situated at 435 North Twenty-fifth street. It is a three-story brick of modern construction and is surrounded by beautiful and spacious grounds. Inside, the house is handsomely decorated and furnished. The first floor is taken up by two large parlors, the library, assembly room and kitchen. On the second floor are chambers and study rooms. Above these are other chambers, the billiard and smoking rooms. A spacious basement contains a large furnace and also abounds in nooks and corners admirable for initiation purposes. The boys are well fixed both for home and club affairs and anticipate a year of comfort and enjoyment.

The Phi Kappa Psi boys are comfortably settled in their chapter house at 1134 G street. It is a prettily situated house nicely furnished. The neighborhood is of the best and the surroundings conducive to study and quiet. Twelve members make the chapter house their home.

The local chapters of the Sigma Chi and Phi Delta Theta will remain in their former quarters. Both have added to their prospective comfort by an increase of furniture and draperies.

Don Cameron's lunch counter, 118 South Eleventh street.

## CADET PROMOTIONS

Read Before the Battalion Friday Evening—Lieut. Pershing Makes Rapid Work of Ranking the Cadets—Military News.

Contrary to expectations the promotions and assignments were read before the battalion. It was a surprise to many, but The Nebraskan had received a tip and consequently delayed publication until Saturday morning. Owing to the fact that the promotions were not issued until 5 o'clock it was impossible to issue the paper after supper as was done last year.

The only intimation the cadets had of what was coming, was the order that the battalion would assemble after recall. The orders were not ready at the time of assembly and the commandant employed the drill hour revising the list he had worked so hard upon. Last night the midnight gas was burning while Lieutenant Pershing was wrestling with the Herculean task of considering each individual cadet's military record, and his fitness for promotion.

You could have heard a pin drop when Acting Adj. Barnes, after reading a notice to the effect that all cadets were notified to be measured for uniforms by Saturday night, started on order "No. 3." With faces depicting anxiety, fear and hope, the cadets listened to the following:

Headquarters Corps Cadets, University of Nebraska.

Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 27, 1895.

ORDER NO. 3.

1. The following appointments and promotions in the military department are announced to take effect this date:

To be cadet captains—Cadet First Sergeant, W. D. Reed, Cadet Sergeant J. P. Sedgwick, Cadet First Sergeant, C. C. Pulls, and Cadet First Sergeant, J. F. Schwartz.

To be Cadet First Lieutenant and Adjutant Cadet Sergeant J. B. Barnes. To be Cadet First Lieutenants, Cadet Sergeants, C. E. Adams, T. F. McCarthy, W. H. Rhodes, W. E. Benjamin, W. Wilson, H. P. Leavitt, C. D. Warner, Ernst A. Bessey.

To be Cadet Second Lieutenant, Cadet Sergeants C. A. Turrell and Cadet Private Ed A. Bessey.

To be Cadet Sergeant, Major Cadet Corporal J. C. Jones.

To be Cadet Quartermaster Sergeant Cadet Sergeant R. P. Teele.

To be Cadet Drum Major, Cadet Corporal U. V. Hedge.

To be Cadet First Sergeant, Cadet Corporal W. H. Oury, R. C. Saxton, H. J. Lehnhoff, H. Wilson.

To be Cadet Sergeants, Cadet Corporals, H. C. Parmelee, L. A. Westermann, F. A. Korsmeyer, C. E. Crownover, R. A. Emerson, L. R. Packard, C. C. Culver, Wm. Grant, H. E. Reagan, J. P. Cameron, J. V. Cortelyou; Cadet Privates, G. H. Thomas, E. F. Piper, Chas. Kuhlman, C. C. Griggs, D. M. Davis, Cadet Corporals, G. F. Warren, Cadet Privates, R. S. Baker, Cadet Corporals W. H. Dungan, Cadet Privates, F. L. Meyer, F. T. Riley, F. S. Philbrick.

To be Cadet Corporals, Cadet Corporal E. H. Kring, Cadet Privates, P. W. Russell, R. W. Haggard, S. R. Hewitt, G. N. Porter, S. A. White, A. Wetzel, A. A. Miller, H. B. Noyes, W. L. McKay, E. R. Davenport, J. A. Saville, E. D. Banghardt, Fritz Funke, M. A. Hyde, J. V. Beachley, M. E. Hiltner, D. C. Hall, C. Hurdy, A. S. Johnson, E. R. Morrison, C. A. Fisher, C. B. Robbins, R. F. Andrews, C. A. True, E. A. Wiggernhorn, T. F. Roddy, Z. E. Crook, H. T. Weaver, C. L. Stone.

The following assignments to companies will prevail:

COMPANY A.

Cadet Captain, W. D. Reed, Cadet First Lieutenants, W. H. Rhodes, H. P. Leavitt, Cadet Second Lieutenant,

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