

**HANDSOME CUP.**

To the Board of Directors of the Intercollegiate Athletic Association of Nebraska: Gentlemen—The writer, a graduate of Princeton, class of '78, and much interested in collegiate development, is pleased to announce that the Farmers' and Merchants Insurance company of Lincoln will donate to the intercollegiate athletic association of Nebraska, under certain hereinafter specified conditions, a handsome sterling silver loving cup for the encouragement, among the different institutions interested, of a proper college spirit, to induce the participation of a larger number of students in health-giving athletic exercises and as an expression of appreciation and approbation of the results already accomplished under many difficulties. With best wishes, I remain, L. P. FUNKHOUSER,

Secretary F. and M. Insurance Co.  
Stipulations under which the Farmers' and Merchants' Insurance company trophy is donated to the intercollegiate athletic association of Nebraska:

1. This cup shall become the permanent property of the institution whose team wins it two successive years.

2. It shall be the temporary property each year of the institution whose team is adjudged the winner of the largest number of points at the annual intercollegiate contest.

3. The winning team shall hold it until the next annual contest.

4. In case this competition should be discontinued before the state championship has been decided this cup shall revert to the Farmers' and Merchants' Insurance company.

5. An equal proportion of these championship contests shall be held in Lincoln.

6. These championship meets shall be held in accord with the rules, events and agreements of the institutions interested and as agreed upon by them.

7. The amateur standing of the contestants shall be beyond question and every effort shall be employed to secure non-partisan officials, not members of either institution, in order that the interests of clean sport may be advanced. The referee shall be approved each year by the Farmers' and Merchants' insurance company.

8. We ask that each institution shall signify its compliance with these stipulations by appending the official signature expressing the approval of the athletic board of the institution. When there is no athletic board the signature may be authorized by the student athletic association.

The above liberal offer should arouse enthusiasm among all colleges interested. The college at York being added to the list makes five to compete. The others are Wesleyan, Doane, Hastings and the university.

The following letter has been sent to the various high school principals over the state by the board of control of the Nebraska interscholastic athletic association, of which Dr. J. T. Lees and Dr. W. W. Hastings of the university are members, giving an invitation to join the association and good reasons for such an organization:

To the Principals of High Schools: You will please find enclosed copies of the new rules of the Nebraska interscholastic athletic association adopted at the annual meeting in Lincoln December 27, 1899, also a copy of the specific regulations of the board of control governing the conduct of athletics.

The object of the organization is the safe and systematic development of all amateur sports and games among secondary schools of the state. Many evils, physical and moral, have resulted in other states from the lack of proper at-

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tention to the various forms of athletics in the early stages of their development. Lack of proper preparatory training has been responsible for many sad cases of injury and for consequent prejudice against certain forms of athletics upon the part of parents and school authorities; lack of careful supervision upon the part of principals and superintendents has been responsible for much cheating, wrangling and general unmanly conduct. It is evident that boys have a natural appetite for vigorous forms of recreative work, and that such forms properly controlled develop individual power, intellectual and moral as well as physical. It is true, further, that they will have some form of diversion whether we will or not. It would seem the part of wisdom, therefore, to provide for them healthful, wholesome forms of exercise in connection with their school work and to win from them that loyalty which every school ought to expect as its inherent right. When such clean athletic training has been pursued the physical type of the school has been advanced, the moral tone raised and better standards of scholarship induced. Every school in the state ought to become a member of this association and to hold all its contests according to state rules and under the general supervision of the board of control. Sectional contests with neighboring schools will be provided for. Any school not already a member of the association may become such by filling out the enclosed blank and returning it to the secretary before April 1. Participation in any sport recognized by the board of control will entitle a school to membership in the association and to active participation in its benefits. Twenty-three schools have already joined the association and most of them will be represented in the annual track and field meet to be held at Lincoln in May."

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