

BASE BALL SUBSCRIPTIONS.

Lincoln business men have responded generously to base ball manager Howard's subscription list. Below is a list of the firms which have thus far contributed:

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NOVEL ENTERTAINMENT.

Miss Barr, with the aid of her young lady assistants, will give an entertainment for the city Y. W. C. A. at the armory Friday evening. That it will be as novel and instructive as entertaining is assured. Perhaps the most interesting event on the program will be that given by a number of girls who will perform some of the "Gamla Svenska Folkdansar," or "old Swedish folk dances," in costume. Two years ago these exercises were gathered from the various provinces in Sweden—a different one being found in each province—by a society something like the folklore society in this country. They are now being used in place of games as recreative work in many of the schools of Sweden.

They were seen for the first time in America last summer when Miss Barr introduced them at Chautauqua.

ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITIES.

An association of American universities has recently been formed for the purpose of giving a definite, final value to university degrees and for raising the scholarship of the college.

Today degrees mean very little. The standards vary with each university and one man may possess a certain degree procured with little labor, while another may have slaved and toiled many a long year for the same title. If there were a certain degree, a B. A. or Ph. D. would mean the same to all who possess them and would become definite and certain.

The plan of the association is to have only those college members whose work is up to the standard required. This of course will create opposition from some of the younger and smaller institutions. But as the association is not hermetically sealed; it will be a competition in scholarship, and as only worthy candidates will be received, scholarship will ultimately be raised.

The association will request that no foreign university admit "any American student to the examinations for a degree in philosophy, unless he presents a bachelor degree from an American college or university"—and it will also consider the "advisability of limiting the institutions from which such bachelor's degrees may be accepted."

Such a plan would obviously result in a change in the present method of granting degrees. Every college will strive to raise its scholarship and in this way enter the association, and have its graduates at once recognized by the foreign universities.—Cardinal.

REGISTRAR'S STATEMENT.

The registrar is now prepared to tell any student how he succeeded in his work the past semester, as all the credits have been transferred to the general office record. A great majority of all the students passed in all

their work, but there are always some who from various reasons are obliged to be marked "incomplete" or "conditional," and a very small minority must be marked "failed." But the registrar says that never before have so large a number been passed in every item of their work. Students often say they do not know how they succeeded in their work; it is usually the ones who are marked "incomplete" or "failed" who do not enquire about their work. It is no excuse for this for last semester and the registrar requests all students to call and see about their last semesters' studies.

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