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THREE CENTS

## A FOOTBALL GIANT

Coach Booth's Talents Portrayed by an Omaha Newspaper—Athlete, Literateur, Musician and Lawyer.

One of the Omaha papers had the following to say concerning Coach Booth, in a recent issue:

W. H. Booth, head coach of the champion football eleven of the university of Nebraska, is in Omaha for a few days, visiting former college mates of Princeton, the school where the big gridiron instructor learned the game.

Mr. Booth says that he can yet make no statement as to his plans for next year, since he has decided nothing definitely so far. He is the recipient of several offers of coaching positions at different universities prominent among which is that from the university of Wisconsin.

The coach looks every inch the football player that he is. More than six feet tall erect and unusually broad with great girth of chest, the famous center who played on the Tiger team so many years at that position, presents a most striking figure, one that people turn to follow their eyes.

One look at the giant's face and his somewhat remarkable success as an exponent of the college sport is at once understood. Cleverness, originality, initiative-craft, all are plainly written there, and behind them is a look of grim determination and undaunted spirit that explains at once why he holds the admiration and respect of his men so well.

But "Bummy" Booth is not only an athlete and a born fighter. He is also endowed to an unusual degree with the gentler tastes and accomplishments. Possessed of a pleasing voice, which shows plainly its backing of a fine physique, the coach's musical attainments are considerable.

Add to this the taste of a literateur, widely cognizant in several languages, and a bachelor's degree in law, and the man who has brought the Cornhusker team up to its present high rank can in no sense be dubbed narrow or athletics-bound.

Mr. Booth intends to immerse himself completely in the practice of law after one more season of coaching. He will return to Lincoln today and will shortly leave for the east, where he will determine upon his next year's whereabouts. Eventually he intends to practice his profession in Philadelphia.

Thus far chances are very bright for the retention of the Princeton coach by the University of Nebraska. The members of the athletic board are enamored of his work and he is a unanimous favorite with the students and the members of the football squad. Any offer made him will undoubtedly be duplicated by the University of Nebraska.

Efforts were made by local lovers of football to secure a post-season game for Omaha between the Wisconsin team, champion of the middle west, and the Nebraska team, champion of the Missouri valley states. The contest was placed for Saturday, December 7, and the Nebraskans had agreed to come, but a belated telegram from Manager Kilpatrick of the Wisconsin team cut short all further plans. It is said that the Badgers had broken training and could not come.

## CHRISTMAS VACATION.

It has been definitely announced from the executive office that the Christmas vacation will begin Friday evening December 20 and will continue until Monday morning January 6. This will allow students over two weeks of release from school work. It is longer by several days than it has been for a number of years.

A special rate of one and one third fares has been made to students on all railroads running out of Lincoln. The time limit set for these rates will conform to the vacation period.

## Y. W. C. A. NOTES.

The new University calendars which have just been issued by the young ladies of the association are proving a decided success if the manner in which the students are purchasing them can be taken as a criterion. Yesterday within an hour fourteen of them were sold by one firm. An examination of the calendar will plainly show the cause of their popularity. They are souvenirs of the University and are fitting ornaments to adorn the room of any student.

## COACH BOOTH IN CHAPEL THIS MORNING.

An address by Coach Booth will occupy the convocation half hour this morning. The coach will speak on football. Just what phase of the subject he will take up is not announced.

## THE SOPHOMORE TEAM.

The Sophomore football team closed a very successful season at Kearney Saturday by defeating the Kearney military academy team.

This was the last of a series of six games; three of which they won by decisive scores. The other three resulted in tie games with no score. The Kearney game was the only "out of town" game scheduled by any class team this year, and was secured through the efforts of Captain Wilson, whose home is at Kearney. The game was hotly contested at all points. The "K. M. A." boys showed themselves to be formidable opponents, even if lacking the experience of the "Sophs."

The games played and the results are as follows:

Lincoln High school 2nd team, 0, Sophomores 6. Scrubs, 0, Sophomores 0. Freshmen, 0, Sophomores, 2. Lincoln High School 1st team, 0, Sophomores 0. Seniors 0, Sophomores 0. Kearney Military Academy 0, Sophomores 6.

A letter has been recently received from Schuyler Miller stating that he has at last reached London and has been joined by Harry Shedd. As he writes he says that the city is enveloped in one of those dense fogs. Mr. Miller also states that he has finally succeeded in obtaining permission to enter the British Museum as a reader and that he is making the best of his time in going through the documents which he has been desiring to examine for some time, and in examining the pictures in the art galleries.

John L. Kind, instructor in German in the Omaha high school spent his Thanksgiving vacation in Lincoln visiting at the Delta Tau house.

## WILL AWARD N'S

Athletic Board to Honor Fifteen Members of the Football Squad A Graduate Manager a Probability.

Fifteen sweaters with the large N, the official insignia of the athletic board, will be awarded to as many men at a special meeting of the Board to be held within a day or two. The N's will be given to those who have earned the right to wear them by reason of service on the football team during the season just passed. It is probable that the matter of a captain for next year's team will also receive a share of the attention of the board at this special meeting. The choice will be made by the team some time in the future.

While no decisive action will be taken in the matter of a manager for next year until the next regular meeting of the board, the fitness of various candidates will be discussed. There is a feeling of doubt on the part of the members as to just what will be done when the time comes to make a choice. As it lies now the question is one between a student and a graduate manager with the chances somewhat in favor of the former provided a suitable one can be found. Only a few applications for the position have come in from the student body, and the lack of good material is evident. The increasing business attendant on the new position, Nebraska finds herself in makes the place one of considerable responsibility. It will undoubtedly be a matter of but a year or two until Nebraska has a salaried manager.

There has been some talk of selecting H. A. Tukey, last year's manager to look after the finances of the season next year. The story was started by an Omaha paper. It is not thought among football men that Mr. Tukey would accept the position if it were offered him. Last year a proposition was made to him but was refused because of business interests in Omaha. It is not likely that he would leave his business now to devote his attention to football. Manager Cowgill has not expressed his desire for a reelection. If a graduate is selected for the position it will probably lie between these two.

The annual meeting of the "Northwestern Alumni Association" will be held in Minneapolis, Minn., next week. Professor John Bach McMaster, of the College and Mr. E. C. Kirk, the Dean of the Dental Department, will represent the University at the reunion. The Association is composed of seventy-six Pennsylvania Alumni of whom sixty-six are in Minnesota.

The "Colorado Alumni Association of the University of Pennsylvania" will also hold its annual meeting in Denver, Colorado, next week.

The foundation has been laid for the college settlement building and the carpenters will begin work the last of the week. There is only money enough at present to put up the outside, but the rooms will be furnished as soon as possible.

Ed Tomas supplied a pulpit in the church at Murdock last Sunday.

## NEW CADET COMMANDANT.

Considerable stir was manifested the latter part of last week when an item appeared in a city paper to the effect that Captain Samuel Smoke, of the United States army, graduate of West Point from Missouri, had been appointed at Washington, as Commandant of Cadets and Instructor in military tactics at Nebraska University. It seems that the appointment has come about through a personal application of Captain Smoke. This brief item has caused more than usual interest because of the unsettled and disrupted state of affairs that exists in the military department, and because of the absence of all other information or knowledge about the new appointment.

It is according to rules and regulations that a competent regular army officer should be stationed at the state universities, but since the breaking out of the late war, when the former commandant was needed for service, no other appointments were to be made until trouble should cease and it was possible to again station an officer here.

It has been the desire for some time on the part of the University authorities that a regular army man should receive this appointment and now the hopes are to be realized.

When Captain Smoke will make his appearance at the University is all a matter of conjecture as no information has as yet been received concerning it. The absorbing question among the cadets is, what effect will his coming have on the standing and appointments of officers that have been made, or will be made some time in the future.

Chrysanthemums at the green house are almost a thing of past as they are rapidly fading and decreasing in number. The supply is not large enough in the first place and the lack of room prohibits these flowers remaining far into the season. The space they have occupied will be taken by geranium seedlings and cuttings of foliage plants for use next year in campus decorations.

Fredric W. Taylor, Professor of Horticulture, '91-9, has presented the green houses with a very valuable specimen of the Pennsylvania variety of the red canna. Several plants have already been propagated and they will prove useful additions to next years' decorative work.

A double nasturtium has been added to the plants on hand. It is very rare in the west but well known in the east for decorative purposes.

On account of the lack of room the growing of roses and carnations, with a few exceptions, has been discontinued until proper space can be provided. The Botany department and the United States experiment station requires more and more space continually and it is gradually keeping those in care of the greenhouses from making additions or preserving the stock already on hand. It is feared that if more room cannot in time be provided, there will be no way of cultivating and preserving plants for the campus.

The Domestic Science class had an excursion to Rudge & Guenzel's yesterday to learn the construction of cook stoves.