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GRIDIRON WORK STARTS

Football Men Open Season's Work—Few Old Men Out—Booth and Westover Talk Little.

The gridiron is again the scene of activity. The men are getting to work early and all seem eager to get into good form. As early as the 8th several men were in the field and the number has been steadily growing until there are now about twenty-five. The weather has been favorable and the pigskin has been kept moving for two or three hours every afternoon.

Old players are few. Westover, Shedd and Maloney have appeared and are at work. Ringer is on the field but his knee is still stiff from the injuries which he received last year. Tobin, Bell and Eager are also on hand. Benedict, a player from Lincoln high school's famous team, is a candidate for a position. The men at practice yesterday were Shedd, Westover, Maloney, Ringer, Tobin, Bell, Eager, Benedict, Hewitt, Myers, Kaner, Melick, Fulmer, Briggs, Cotton, Hubbard, Wilson, Mickle, Riley and Morris.

Nebraska's famous quarterback, Drain, is helping Coach Booth coach the men. Both are out every day in uniform and hard at work.

Quarters are being prepared for a training table on S street, just east of the university. Only those who show themselves in dead earnest and do good work will be allowed at the table.

When asked concerning the prospects for a good team, Coach Booth said that present prospects are not very encouraging, because of a lack of experienced men. He complimented the spirit of the men and expressed his gratification that they were getting to work so early, whereas last year when the team was in camp the weather was bad and practice slow. He thinks it the duty of every man who knows anything about football to get out on the gridiron. A school which enrolls eleven hundred men can produce a good football team, he says. The material is here and he wants plenty of men from which to pick the material.

Coach Booth wishes to emphasize the fact that no player is sure of a permanent position on the team till Thanksgiving. No one can rest on laurels early won. He must keep continually at work or he will find he has no place on the team. It will be a hard task to build up a team out of almost entirely raw material, but Booth has an advantage of getting started early.

Captain Westover does not talk football prospects, but seems well pleased with the spirit of his men.

The games scheduled for the season are:

September 20, L. H. S. and Alumni vs. U. of N. (2 games)—Lincoln.

October 4, Doane College—Lincoln.

October 11, Grinnell College—at Lincoln.

October 18, University of Minnesota—at Minneapolis.

October 25, University of Missouri—at St. Joseph.

November 1, Haskell Indians—at Omaha.

November 8, University of Kansas—at Lincoln.

November 15, Knox College,—at Lincoln.

November 27, Northwestern University—at Lincoln.

Fall Tennis

The tennis courts have been in almost constant use during the summer by those in attendance at the summer session, and for this reason they are in the best of condition for fall playing. By the first of next week the grounds will be placed in thorough preparation. Manager Peters will be back this week and will get things in running shape.

The prospects for a fall tournament are the best and preparations will be pushed looking to that end. A team will, in all probability, be sent to Kansas sometimes during the fall, as is the custom. The officers of the association are hoping, in addition, to have a team from South Dakota come down and compete for honors. In the latter case the university will have the first opportunity to see playing by northern lovers of the sport.

It is urged by the officers of the association that all those who play tennis and are not already members will quickly ally themselves with it. As some of the best players will not be in school this year there will be vacancies to fill. In this case all contestants and members will have an opportunity to show what they can do. With Farnsworth and Failor gone the university will lose two of her best men. A meeting of the association will be advertised in the near future.

Office Changes

During the summer vacation the administration offices have been undergoing several changes and improvements. With the installation of Mr. Shedd as registrar the offices have been changed to accommodate the new office force. The older students will miss the face of Miss Ellen Smith who for so many years has held the position of registrar in the university. Her former office has been made that of Mr. Fee, superintendent of grounds and buildings. The treasurer's office is left as it was. The internal arrangement of Chancellor Andrews' office has been changed, making it more commodious and more comfortable. The office force will be found for the year in the main office. The office of the deans will remain as it is, and will also be occupied by high school inspector, Mr. Crabtree.

Another desk has been added to the room occupied by the deans of the university, presided over by the new dean, Dr. H. B. Ward. This is the first year of deanship for Dr. Ward, and he already finds himself busy in giving information regarding the school of medicine and the medical courses offered.

REGISTRATION BEGINS

Preliminaries to a New School Year Begun—First Day's Work Light—Y. M. C. A. Bureau is Busy

The first day of registration was not productive of a large matriculation or of registration of old students. The first day last year resulted in ninety-seven matriculations, while this year the number reached eight-nine. In 1901 there were 153 registration and this year 124. The latter is a considerable drop from last year, but may be explained by the fact that the latter comprises old registered students as well as new. The upper class men usually delay their registration until the last moment for various reasons interesting to themselves.

The mode of registration is noticeably different from that of previous years, and while it facilitates the registration and office work it has been remarked that the old times of registration in the armory was more the ideal custom than that at present. The new students arriving in town have been considerably aided by the guides which have been posted at various points on the campus. These guides are ready to furnish all directions and information possible and are for the use of the students.

The Y. M. C. A. information bureau and employment agency has been busy for the last of the preceding week taking care of new students and letters of information from various points in the state. It has also, already, been able to place old men in the way of remunerative jobs of various kinds. The city was canvassed and all rooms, boarding places and positions for students helping themselves through college are listed at the association rooms on the lower floor of the main hall.

Lincoln Academy

Under the supervision of Professor T. M. Hodgeman, the Lincoln academy will take on a new lease of life. As an evidence of this fact the school will be removed this year to the new quarters across the street from the chemistry laboratory. The laboratories of the school on the other hand will be left in the old quarters in the Windsor hotel.

A new house is being constructed especially with the object in view of accommodating the work. The class rooms will be left on the lower floor with rooms for the use of students on the second floor. The house is entirely modern with the office on the lower floor. At present ten teachers compose the faculty. Arrangements have been completed whereby the academy will be in connection with the electric bell system of the university, thus having the same schedule of classes.

The management of the academy is perfecting arrangements for the publication of a monthly journal devoted to the interests of the academy. The

paper will be sent to parents of academy students and other patrons. A series of monthly receptions will be held during the year at the home of Professor Hodgeman. These will be known as "Principals' Receptions."

A course of lectures on practical subjects will be presented on certain evenings of the year. These will be offered to the students by representative men of Lincoln. It is announced that the academy poster will be out during the fall. It will be built up in three colors and very attractive. Miss Jessie Beans, who was the lucky contestant in the poster competition is at present a student in the Chicago Art School. She is an Omaha representative and was formerly a student at the university.

Secretary Ross.

The Young Men's Christian Association of the university has secured George E. Ross of the University of Tennessee for its general secretary for the coming year and already his presence is being felt in association circles. Mr. Ross comes very highly recommended for the position, being interested for a considerable time in college association work. Had he remained in Tennessee this year he would have been a senior, but coming here he will devote one-half his time to the association and the other half to college work.

Mr. Ross' home is at Greenboro, N. C., but he has received the greater part of his college education at the above named school. The new secretary is an eastern man and brings with him eastern and southern ideas which will be of immense value to the association work. At the University of Tennessee the association is housed in an elegant lodge, with dormitories, baths, dining rooms, gymnasium, and game and reading rooms. Mr. Ross has spent the last year at the association house and has ambitious ideas for Nebraska. While being a stranger at the university he is hopeful of the outlook and expects a prosperous year for the association.

Studies in Forestry

Students should examine the new group of studies in forestry now offered for the first time by the university. The purpose of these studies is to prepare young men for such work as is in demand by the general government. The demand for trained specialists in botany and forestry has thus far been much greater than the supply, and the bureau of forestry has been obliged to take men who are graduates of ordinary colleges and then give them two or three years of special training. At present there are not one-half as many men available as the bureau of forestry wants.

The demand for men of this training has been increased by the fact that the general government has set aside two large forest reserves in central and northern Nebraska, and that on each of these there will be needed from ten to twelve men. If the university could send out ten trained men each year, for the next ten years, it would not more than meet the demand. There should be a class of a dozen or two students in this group this year.