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SOME FOOTBALL GOSSIP

Teams Practices Lightly—Scrubs Leave to Vote—More Bleacher Room—Kansas City Sports Jarred.

According to the Kansas City Star unusual interest was aroused all over the Missouri valley on account of the Nebraska-Haskell game. The result of the game was a big surprise to Kansas City enthusiasts. The Indians were the favorites and in many cases Nebraska supporters were given odds.

The Kansas City sports were led astray by the fact that Haskell defeated Missouri 41 to 0, while the Nebraskans made it 12 to 0. They will know better next time, as will several local bettors, who apparently were unable to realize that Nebraska has a great team this year.

It is now up to Kansas to show what she can do. The game Saturday promises to be hard fought. In fact, the Jayhawkers always put up a good fight. Last year their team was composed of inexperienced men, but they played hard. This year the team is in much better condition. Curtis, the coach, has and will undoubtedly put forth his greatest efforts to have the team ready to meet its old rivals.

In this connection it must be remembered that Knox, after defeating Northwestern 15 to 0, succeeded in making but five points against Kansas. The latter will be in much better shape when she meets Nebraska and we may expect a good game on next Saturday.

The carpenters are pushing the work on the new bleachers to the south of the grand stand. The size of Saturday's crowd was a good illustration of the interest which is taken in football this year. There is no questioning the fact that the people are supporting and will continue to support the team more than ever before. The athletic board appreciates this condition and will do all in its power to accommodate the large crowds.

Since the game it has been decided to extend the grandstand eight feet on the north. This, together with the extension on the south will make one hundred and sixty feet of new bleachers. The men will go to work immediately on the north extension and both extensions will be ready for the Kansas game on the coming Saturday.

The report of the game Saturday was again displayed by electric lights upon the tower of main hall. The arrangement was scarcely placed before the rain began to descend in torrents. But few students, therefore, had the opportunity of seeing how 28 to 0 looked upon the tower. This new feature has been added by active students in the engineering department.

The football squad did not work very hard last night. After tackling the dummy and catching punts the varsity lined up against the scrubs for a few

plays. Several of the second team men have gone home to vote, and as a result it was almost impossible to find enough players to give the first team good practice. Cotton was out again last night for the first time in a week. He and Tobin played with the scrubs. Coach Booth and Assistant Coach Drain played during part of the practice on the second eleven.

Eager who has not been out for some time, was out last night and will be out during the rest of the season. "Bill" Johnson will come out tonight. These men are both strong players and will be a valuable addition to the football squad.

Assistant Coach Palmer, who has been ill for a few days, was on the field last night.

Richardson, who played center on our last year's second eleven, is now playing center for Kansas. He will be in the game Saturday.

Training Table Bill of Fare.

It may be of some interest to the students to know the daily bill-of-fare at the training table. The menu is as follows:

For breakfast—Roast beef, eggs, fried potatoes, Force on toast, prunes and water.

For lunch—Rare roast beef, baked potatoes, toast, fruit and water.

For dinner—cold meat, usually fowl; mashed potatoes, onions with cream, toast, custard, and water.

From such feeding as this it is not wondered that "the Cornhuskers have an unusually strong team this year" as the Chicago Chronicle puts it.

Wisconsin's football eleven will make a western trip during the Christmas holidays. They will play Leland Stanford on Christmas day, and will contest with California on New Year's day.

Settlement Board Reports.

The college settlement board met in Dr. Hill's office in the library building Saturday morning. The report on Miss Stone's lecture was submitted and accepted. The settlement's share of the proceeds amounted to about \$85, a disappointing showing in view of the time spent and the efforts made in advertising the lecture.

It was decided to begin work at once in putting in the furnace that was donated to the settlement. The question of cementing the basement of the house was discussed, but no definite conclusions were reached and further discussion of the matter was deferred to the next meeting.

The ways and means of raising additional funds to meet incidental expenses and to discharge present obligations were discussed, but the meeting adjourned without taking action upon any of the suggestions made in regard to the matter.

The Y. M. C. A. held a ping-pong tournament in the parlors Friday evening for the Freshment of the university. About forty men contested in the events and all report an enjoyable time. Messrs. Wheeler and Mathieson were the final contestants. Mathieson won out.

THE QUESTION SETTLED

Senior Class Decides to Leave Choice of Commencement Orators With Chancellor and Committee.

The Seniors held a short meeting in the old chapel yesterday, during the convocation hour. Vice President Lindeman presided in the absence of President Buck. The attendance was good.

The secretary's report was suspended, and the selection of a class orator was reconsidered. It was decided to leave the question of selection with the committee and the Chancellor. A speaker will be chosen from the list of twelve names suggested by the committee.

The matter of class caps and pins was brought up and discussed. The boys will obtain pins of the same design as those secured by the girls. The boys will probably wear caps also. The whole matter of pins and caps is now in charge of the Senior hat committee. The committee on a class play was announced and is composed of the following persons:

- H. C. Filley, chairman.
- Thomas Elson.
- Charles Potts.
- Sadie Fowler.
- Edith Bennett.
- Bessie Brown.
- Louise Miller.

Prof. Frye Discusses English.

Professor Frye, of the English department has an article in the current number of the Independent on "The Teaching of English."

In discussing the question, Professor Frye finds "two sets of difficulties inherent on the subject, which no system has as yet succeeded in overcoming."

In the first place, he says, rhetorics, as a class ignore the fact that words mean something and instead of treating them as the symbols of ideas they aim at a mere alignment of words.

In the second place, rhetorics have found no way as yet of inspiring a student with thoughts that will out. Professor Frye thinks that "What we need at this time above all things is an appeal to awaken the student's intelligence." The fact that people try to write without something to say accounts for the "frothiness and vacuity" of our literature.

Prof. Ross on Taxation.

The University of Chicago is experimenting with a composite university extension course on "Modern Social Problems." The course includes lectures by professors from six different universities, Chicago, Nebraska, Iowa, Illinois, Wisconsin, and Minnesota. Dr. E. A. Ross, of the department of sociology, represents the University of Nebraska, and he just returned from an extended lecturing tour, delivering lectures in Kansas City, Omaha, St. Joe,

Des Moines, St. Paul, and Minneapolis. His subject was "Problems of Taxation."

Dr. Ross reports signs of great and increasing interest in the subject of taxation throughout the west, and says that the indications are that the tax cyclone now ravaging Michigan, Wisconsin and Ohio, is traveling our way. In a discussion at Omaha after his lecture an assessor said that the people were much more liberal in returning their property since the assessments of the Omaha public service companies were raised to reasonable figures. A better spirit prevails among the taxpayers as a result.

Prof. Burnett at Convocation.

Prof. Burnett addressed the students at Convocation yesterday on "The South."

Although the north is very prosperous, yet the visitors in the southern states found poverty on all sides. The speaker assumed that the state of affairs was due to the lack of ambition in the southern people. Furthermore the people did not seem to have as high ideals as the northern people.

The speaker said the soil was so poor that it was impossible to raise good crops and consequently little money could be made in farming, although labor was cheap. The single crop idea is giving way to a more modern system. The small farmers now have a diversity of crops and as a result are becoming more independent. More cattle are being raised than formerly.

The speaker noted an increase in the number of factories which would tend to increase the wealth of the country. The southern people have come to realize that it does not pay to depend on the northern states for manufactured articles when they have the facilities to produce their own goods.

In conclusion the speaker said that nearly all the negroes would be disfranchised by the educational requirements.

College Settlement Notes.

A class in elocution is being organized at the College Settlement.

The classes of the College Settlement house are increasing very rapidly in numbers. The boys' class has reached a membership of sixty and promises to exceed that number before the holidays.

The Y. M. C. A. Mission society has commenced soliciting money for the mission cause. Over \$20 have already been subscribed and the association hopes to pass the hundred mark before March 1, when the money is due.

The new ping-pong table, which was donated by the Western Manufacturing company, has been set up in the game room and proves to be quite an incentive to the boys. It is a fine table being of hard wood and 8x10 feet in size.

Minnesota is to have a basket ball tournament. Teams from various classes and departments will compete for a championship cup.