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UP AGAINST IT.

Drill Requirements Threaten the Success of Base Ball.

Wednesday's Evening News contained the following item on University athletics:

There is considerable complaint among some of the freshmen and sophomore candidates for the team on account of the fact that the commandant has issued the decree that no one will be excused from drill in order to play ball. It has always been the custom to let the baseball candidates off from their military obligations as soon as time for outdoor work rolled around, but under the new regime it it seems that it is not to be thus. Some arrangement will have to be made, however, as the men cannot drill at the same time they are working out for the team, as they would have to be off the field by 4:30, and that is the time they are most needed there.

The same item reached The Nebraskan Wednesday afternoon through its regular news channels, but was "sidetracked" for the purpose of discovering whether the complaint had any real justification or not. Early this morning a Nebraskan reporter was sent out with the item to discover what the various parties concerned had to say on the matter.

From the executive office it was learned that the responsibility for the "compulsory drill" order rested with Commandant Chase, who was entitled to interpret the government's orders either for or against the exception of athletic candidates from drill, as he

Dr. Clapp, when interviewed, expressed his belief that the baseball men ought to be excused from drill. and said that such was the custom in practically all other institutions of any size and importance. He asked, however, that any consideration of the subject in the paper be for the present postponed, as he did not desire to in any. way appear to criticize the commandant's decision, although he hoped to change it before long by the presentation of persuasive statistics on the

An attempt to secure an interview with Commandant Chase during . the morning and afternoon was an entire failure, owing to his absence from the office until near drill time, but at 8 o'clock last night a reporter finally located him at his rooms at the hotel. The commandant rewarded the reporter's diligent inquisitiveness, however, with the assertion that it was bedtime, and he would give the necessary details "tomorrow."

No explanation has therefore been yet obtained for this rather radical departure from the precedent of many years and many institutions. The baseball interests are not yet in any excited state of mind over the commandant's attitude, for the reason that they hope he will soon see the necessity of exemption from drin if Nebraska is to have a winning nine, and will do all he can to aid them in their struggle against rather adverse circumstances of weather and material. In this hope it is unnecessary to say that all supporters of University athletics sincere-

Inside Again.

Inclement weather confined the baseball and track men to their indoor haunts again yesterday, after two days' practice outside. The old program was followed out, and battery candidates took a work out in the cage. The bleachers and east fence were torn down yesterday, and will be stored away today. It is very likely the men will be unable to get out again this week. Another damp, stormy spell has set in, and the baseball field is now in bad condition. It would seem that Nebraska athletics are doomed to be seriously handicapped this spring by the inclemency of the weather. Unless a change takes place soon, the men will begin to get desperate. Over in Iowa the baseball squad has been doing regular work outside for some time. The same thing is true at other universities. Last year the personnel of our team was very apparent by the middle of March. When the men do get an opportunity to get in shape, some hard work must be done if the team of '03 is to be a winning one. Every man will have to get into the game for all he is worth and rapid development must take place.

Tennis enthusiasts are preparing to take advantage of the first appearance of permanent warm weather. Notices have been posted for a meeting in the old chapel next Monday at 10 o'clock, when the officers of the association for this year will be elected. It is hoped the interest in the game this year will provide sufficient financial backing to enable extensive improvements on the University courts, especially in the way of grading. Only a few of the older players are in prospect for this year's competition, but it is expected that the early games will reveal some very desirable men among the new ones.

Graduate Club.

The Graduate club meets tomorrow evening with Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Sawyer, 5 Floral Park, to listen to an address on "Dante," by the Rev. M. J. Stritch, dean of the college of literature of Creighton University, Omaha. Rev. Stritch is one of the foremost American students of the noted Italian poet and his works, and his address will be highly entertaining to all in the least interested in that period of the world's literature. Mrs. H. B. Ward will also contribute to the evening's enjoyment by a vocal solo. Members of the graduate school are cordially invited to be present.

Professor Barbour's report of the state geological survey will be out next week. A great deal of hard work has been spent on the report, which will form a valuable contribution to the knowledge of the state and its resources.

Fiegenbaum's Pharmacy, 13th and O.

Dr. Aley, chronic diseases, 1318 O.

Lincoln Shining Parlor, cor. 11th & O.

Society Programs To-Night.

Delians.

The Theophanian Literary society of Wesleyan will not give their program before the Delian society, as was stated in yesterday's issue. The Delians will meet in Union hall and a short program will be rendered, after which election of officers will take place.

Palladians.

Paper-Mr. Black.

Talk-Mr. Perry, a member of the egislature and an old Palladian, will address the society.

Reading-Geneva Bullock. Good music.

Saturday evening, March 21, the Paladian girls will entertain the Palladian boys at supper in Palladian hall.

Union New Members' Plays.

The program of the Union Literary society for this evening will be in the hands of the new members, who will render the two following short and lively plays:

"THE AWFUL AUNT." Aunt Matilda..... Miss Shotwell Pete (Darkest Africa) Beach Jones Carrie Benton Jessie Foxwell Alice Hazelton Grace Sargeant Mrs. Hazelton......Mr. Cowan Mr. Wallace...... Chas. Melick Dave......E. L. Brown "FARMER LARKIN'S BOARDERS." Jonas Larkin L. O. Pfeiffer Lucy Larkin..... Miss Vera Maughlin Harry Wendell Mr. Sward Madge Miss Mary Maughlin Miss Luella......Miss Emma Meier Mr. O'Houlihan E. E. Waltman The audience will be entertained between acts by the following musical

Guitar Solo Mr. Daughters Instrumental Solo Miss Dolson Violin Solo..... Miss Hare Vocal Duet Selected

A great deal of work has been put upon this program, and everyone is looking forward to an entertainment which will surpass even the high literary standard already set by the society. The plays will be given in the old chapel and everyone is cordially invited to attend.

All teachers and students who are interested in progressive methods of teaching languages should attend one of Prof. N. Hill Nesbitt's free opening lectures on the study of French. First Christian church, corner 14th and M, today and tomorrow at 10:30 a. m., 4:30 and 8 p. m. each day.

If you are needing Spectacles or Eye-glasses we can give you a perfect fit. Eyes examined free. Hallett, Jeweler and Optician, 1143 O St.; 30 years' experience.

Merchants' Cafe, 117 North 13th St. We have a large student patronage.

Eat at Hendry's, 129 North Eleventh.

Campus Gleanings.

University Calendar.

Friday, March 20.-University Club dance, Fraternity Hall. Saturday, March 21.-Band Informal, Armory.

April 17-Senior Prom.

There was a fair maid of Nebr. Taught the heathen of far Madag. They said: "Shall we make her An entree or bake her?" Said the cook, "It's politer to

Doane Powell of Omaha is in the city visiting the Phi Psi's.

Ruth Thompson's mother, of Omaha, visited with her the fore part of the week.

Miss Bertha Klopp has returned to school after a week's siege of the

University girls are invited to the Y. W. C. A. meeting Sunday, March 22, at 4 p. m., in Union hall.

Miss Howell will go to York today to act as one of the judges in an interhigh school contest to be held there this evening.

Dr. Condra is making a trip to Fre-

mont and vicinity today in the in-

terests of the geological department, making a study of the flood conditions there. John Mills, fellow in the physics

department, will go to Cincinnati University about the first of April to accept an instructorship in physics in that institution. Misses Mildred Slater and Anna Niel-

son are on the list of those suffering from the measles. Miss Margaret Porter has returned to school after a week's absence on this same account.

From now on the captains and other officers of the cadet battalion will be spiritedly active in putting their respective companies into form for the fight at the finish.

The reading in third year German is being supplemented by work in German lyrics and ballads. The collection of Professor Hattfield of Northwestern University will soon be taken up by the class.

The English club will meet in Miss Hayden's studio this evening, instead of Saturday evening. The change is made in order to prevent a conflict with the meeting of the Graduate club tomorrow night.

The friends of General Secretary Ross of the Y. M. C. A. will be glad to hear that he is resting easier from the iliness mentioned in yesterday's paper. During three days of this reattack of the grip his fever was very Little Gem hot wasses served at the high, ranging above 104, but today he is nearer the normal and promising not distant recovery.

Dr. Bentz, Dentist, Eleventh and O.