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PLAYERS PRACTICE

Men Get Out for Lively Practice on the Diamond.

The continued warm weather is proving a great boon to the baseball men, who turned out in large numbers yesterday afternoon from two to four. There are no extra good men showing up as yet, but this can be expected at this time of the year. Perhaps the most promising candidate for Bender's place at backstop is Miller, who made a great record on the Stock Yards team of South Omaha the last season. Barta of the football squad, has donned a suit and is trying for a position. One of the best additions to the squad is Hammill, who has played on the Y. M. C. A. team for several seasons.

Dr. Clapp and Chancellor Andrews have together managed to let most of the baseball and track men out of drill, and this insures Nebraska of as good a team as can be turned out of the school. Dr. Clapp does not intend to start outdoor work in the track division until later in the season, excepting in the case of the long distance men, who will have outdoor runs as usual on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

The track management has been very loathe about arranging dates for meets with outside teams in Lincoln until it is finally known what we are going to have for an athletic field. If the Board of Regents will guarantee a field for the future the track and baseball managements will get along somehow this spring while the present field is torn up for the new building. The announcement that if possible the destructive north wing will be left off has already greatly encouraged the different managers, especially the football director. With the best and hardest schedule that ever a western college ever signed up it was a clean knockout blow to kill the whole game by taking away our field, and that field the best in the west. If the north wing is left off, the building will come to the twenty-five yard line, and by filling in the north part of the campus and extending the field to the T street curb, football will be possible, although baseball can hardly be played in the cramped quarters. The south part of the grandstand will have to be torn down and tacked onto the north end.

Colorado is doing her best to have us consent to transfer the game next October from Denver to Boulder. Of course Colorado is very desirous of playing us on her home grounds, but the gate receipts at Denver, is a great inducement to our board, as they have lost money on the Colorado trip every year.

The basket ball team is putting in every minute in good hard work, preparatory to showing the Wisconsin Scandinavians a hot time when they strike the wild west next week. During the day each member of the team cultivates his eye for half an hour, and they hope to be able to pile up a good score against the Badgers.

The Sophomore-Freshman championship game has been practically arranged for next Monday evening. Both teams are practicing diligently, and they promise the best game of basket ball ever played by two class teams. The Freshmen are certain of victory, and already can feel the laurel wreaths upon their brows, but the Sophs have got "their suspicions" that they will gold brick the Freshies just as they did the Juniors last year. The two teams will line up as they played last Monday.

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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 1904

OLIVER THEATRE.

SIGNS ARE GOOD.

Everything Possible Will Be Done to Save Athletic Field.

The account published in yesterday's Nebraskan of steps being taken by the Regents to save the athletic field has proved to be based on facts. The building committee will consult the architects, and if any modifications can be made, they will certainly be made before the athletic field is sacrificed. This assurance having been so emphatically given dispels all doubt of the Regents not using every means within their power to preclude such a contingency.

We understand that the Regents had been assured that 330 feet would be sufficient for gridiron space, and they presumed that 15 extra space would be sufficient for all practical purposes. However, this estimate was made by an unofficial party who was not informed as to the exact amount of space required. In order that the football games may be properly accommodated 370 feet of space is necessary. This is 25 feet more than has been allotted. Apparently the original plans contemplated leaving 370 feet of space, but the introduction of the wing would reduce this amount to 345 feet, which upon the information brought to them the Regents deemed sufficient for the needs of the athletic field. It was intended that the Athletic Board should be requested to submit an exact estimate of the amount of space necessary for an athletic field, but no communication to that effect ever reached that body.

Hardly at any time could the Athletic Board have been less prepared to consider measures for securing a new field and fitting it up in proper shape. But by being allowed possession of the present field for the time being, sufficient opportunity will be given for hunting for another suitable location in the meantime. Hence the situation has been critical for athletics, and the hope that is now held out brings with it a sense of relief.

We have received several communications from alumni of this institution protesting against the absorption of our athletic field until a new site can be obtained. But these we withhold from publication as the remedy is in view. However, they show the concern of our former students in athletics and the impressions that they retain concerning this important branch even after they have long left college. With them we join in the hope that now seems so reasonable of fulfillment, that our outdoor athletics may never lack for a suitable field to ensure their existence.

DOWN FOR \$500.

Alpha Theta Chi Pledges to the Temple Fund.

The Alpha Theta Chi fraternity has shown its loyalty to the Temple Fund by making a pledge of \$500. This is the kind of action that best expresses the interest that any organization here may have in the welfare of the University. From the fact that quite a sacrifice will be entailed for most of the members of this body, their action is all the more deserving of praise. The Delta U.'s together with the Alpha Theta Chi's, have now set a worthy example and it is to be hoped that other

fraternities may see their way clear to follow. University organizations have as a rule responded nobly, but all should if possible be represented.

Contributions to the Fund have been coming in with pleasing regularity. Even the opponents of the Temple building have ceased to deny that the amount will be raised. This is certainly a good sign in itself; for if they had any reason for supposing that the undertaking might fail, they would eagerly grasp the opportunity for expatiating upon it. The students, alumni and friends of the University have rallied in support of the cause, and nothing will deter them from activity until their purpose is accomplished.

Tournament Tomorrow Night.

Another team with a chance for the capture of the pennant is the Sophomore. Three of its members played together for several years on the Lincoln high school team, and have now played together two seasons on their class team in the University. These are Miss Inis Everett, Miss Margaret Pillsbury (captain), and Miss Nellie Miller. Reinforcing these are Miss Ina Gittings, the new center on the 'Varsity, who distinguished herself while yet on the Superior high school team, playing well in all positions, and Miss Helen Huse, also of the Superior high school team. Thus the Sophomore has more tried material than any other of the class teams. Last year these players were but one goal behind in their match with the winning team, and a few minutes more or less of play might have changed the outcome. The absence from school this year of Miss Ethel Ames, one of the strongest players of last season, is a notable loss, but it may confidently be predicted that unless something unforeseen should develop, the class of 1906 will be a contestant in the final struggle for the pennant.

Miss Gittings and Miss Everett will be the centers, Miss Pillsbury and Miss Miller the forwards, and Miss Huse one of the guards. For the sixth place the team will have to draw upon less tried material. Miss May Bothwell, who made her debut as a player only a short time ago will probably try her hand as the second guard, or if not, one of the team's three substitutes, Miss Jane Blanchard, of the Lincoln Academy team, Miss Lillian Bennett, or Miss May Miller. In the tournament of last year, the enthusiastic rooting for this class was a feature of the matches. Many members of the class expect to be out once more on Friday night to support their representatives, whether they meet defeat, or wrest the victory from their rivals.

Just received, the swellest lot of spring samples you ever saw. Now on sale at one-half price. Sanderson's.

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DEBATERS FINISH

Final Contest for Places Completed Last Night.

As a result of the interstate debate preliminaries, which closed last night, the following fifteen men, grouped alphabetically, were selected by the judges as members of Nebraska's debating squad for the present year:

Anderson, Brady, Buckner, Brookings, Clark, James, Kimmel, Levy, Lee, Lewis, Lightner, McReynolds, Myers, Sawyer, Sunderlin.

A good sized crowd again gathered in Memorial Hall to hear the concluding arguments in the debate. While perhaps not as spirited as the contest of the preceding evening, the argument the audience was amply repaid for the merits reflected great credit on the debaters separate as well as jointly and close attention which it accorded each speaker. The men spoke in the following order:

Affirmative—

Brady, first.

Clark, third.

Willburn, fifth.

James, seventh.

Negative—

Zook, second.

Brookings, fourth.

Sunderlin, sixth.

Mohrman, eighth.

McReynolds, ninth.

Myers, tenth.

Buckner, eleventh.

Mr. Johnson, who was also to have spoken for the affirmative, was not present.

Mr. Albert Watkins, of Lincoln, presided at the meeting in an able manner, and at the conclusion of the debate entertained the audience with an extemporaneous talk on the value of debating to the man of active affairs. Mr. Watkins is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin, and recalled many highly interesting incidents of his experiences at that institution to illustrate his ideas. His talk was also interspersed with several excellent stories and pointed remarks, which held the close attention of his hearers throughout. He was followed by Mr. Neil M. Cronin, who briefly reviewed the progress of debate at Nebraska during the past five years, and more particularly under the guidance of Professor Fogg. To his leadership Mr. Cronin ascribed much of Nebraska's success during the past two years. He also paid due tribute to the increased interest and activity in debate which have been evidenced during that time by the students and faculty of the University.

Fred M. Hunter added a few brief and humorous remarks to Mr. Cronin's talk and was followed again by Mr. Watkins, who suggested that some of our prominent women be heard from. This was prevented, however, by the entrance of the judges and the announcement of the result of the debates, which was received with universal approval. The judges were Professors Ross, Cook, Taylor, French and Caldwell.

The fifteen successful men will enter a class under Professor Fogg (English 22) where they will receive direct instruction for the interstate debates. Probably four men will ultimately be chosen for each debate. The successful men are requested to see Professor Fogg in his office today.

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