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OFF TO THE NORTH

Foot Ball Team Leaves for Land of the Gophers.

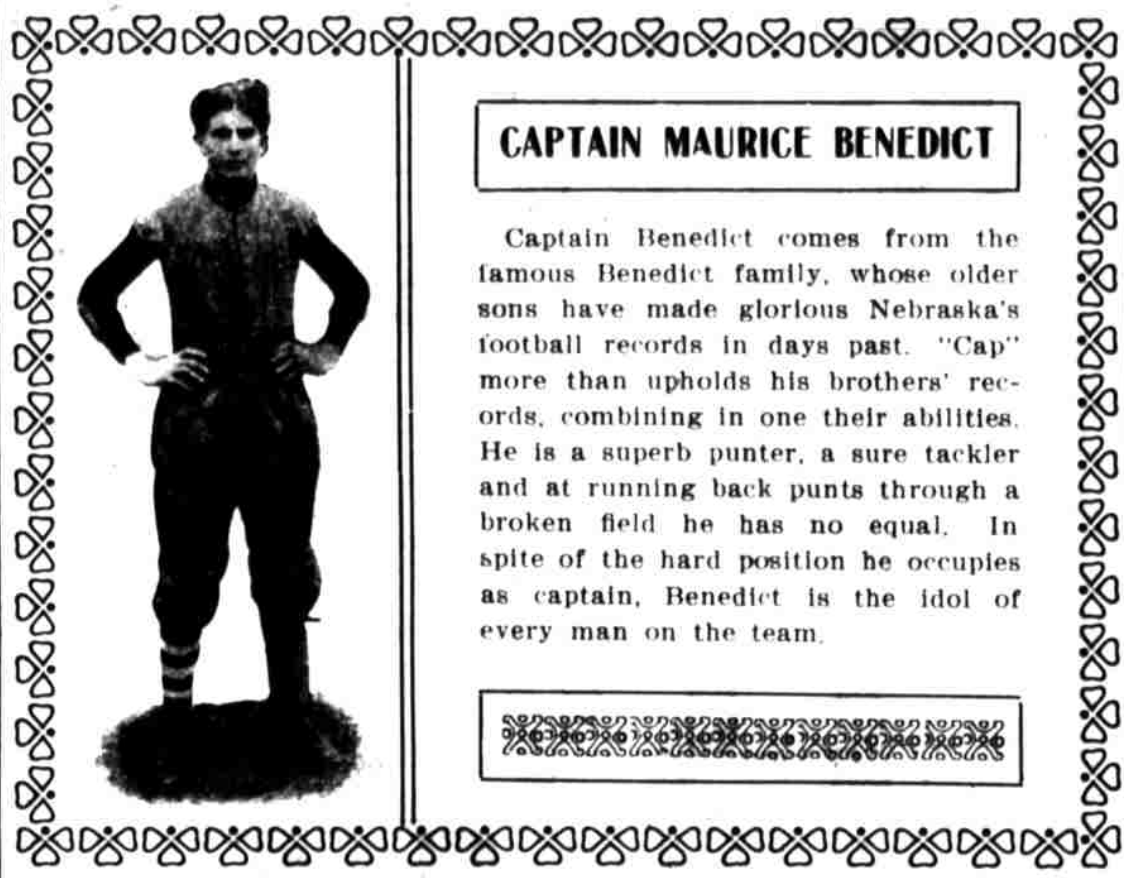
Given Good Send-Off.—The Situation in Minnesota.

At 6 o'clock last evening the football men left on their long ride to Minneapolis. A crowd of about 500 students was at the train to see them off, and much enthusiasm was in evidence. The university yells were given numberless times, and each man on the team cheered to the echo, as the train pulled out. The following men left: Barwick, Bender, Benedict, Borg, Burns, Cotton, Craig, Eager, Fenlon, Hunter, Johnson, Lundin, Mason, C., Mason, G., Marsh, Mills, Robertson, Shook, Standeven, Weller.

Yesterday morning the largest and most enthusiastic football rally of the year was held in Memorial Hall. Confidence in the victorious result of tomorrow's conflict was everywhere in evidence, and the spirit of the students was higher than at any previous time this season. "We will return from Minnesota victorious," said Coach Booth, in a short talk, and this assurance was repeated by Assistant Coach Westover, Captain Benedict and Johnny Bender. Prof. Pound presided at the rally, and Profs. Bolton, Lucky and Condra gave short addresses. The university yells were given frequently, with much evidence of enthusiasm, which even the announcement of the failure to secure rates for an excursion failed to check.

Preparations had been made at Minnesota to entertain anywhere between 1,000 and 3,000 rooters from Nebraska. Manager Davis received 1,000 tickets for the game, yesterday, and more were at his disposal if he could have used them. Very low railroad rates were expected by the Gophers, and they were anticipating a crowd that would rival the one of three years ago. Much work was being put on the Press club dance, which was in reality to be a mammoth reception for the visiting Cornhuskers. The committee in charge received a very large number of requests for tickets from Nebraskans who expected to attend the affair, and although it was planned to be strictly informal throughout, the program would have extended to past midnight.

Some rather exaggerated accounts of Nebraska's rooting abilities seem to



CAPTAIN MAURICE BENEDICT

Captain Benedict comes from the famous Benedict family, whose older sons have made glorious Nebraska's football records in days past. "Cap" more than upholds his brothers' records, combining in one their abilities. He is a superb punter, a sure tackler and at running back punts through a broken field he has no equal. In spite of the hard position he occupies as captain, Benedict is the idol of every man on the team.

have reached the Gophers, and a general alarm was sounded:

"We must be prepared to meet these rooters. To overgo their enthusiasm. To outroot them. To drown every solitary cheer they give. To put them out of action. Disorganized excitement will not beat them. We must have concerted action. We must keep up a continuous succession of cheers, from the first kickoff to the last whistle at the end of the second half.

"Every man must do his duty. We must have hearty, determined—organized rooting," says the Minnesota Daily. But so far as "meeting these rooters" is concerned, the railroads have obviated the necessity.

The following article from Wednesday's Minnesota Daily ought to be a good indication of the way in which the game is regarded at the home of the Gophers. It is evident that the Minnesotans think they have the game cinched. Whether they have, remains, of course, to be seen. At all events, there is sure to be something doing, and the northerners are preparing for it.

"Down with Nebraska," is the motto of every member of the football squad, and the work put in every evening from now until Saturday will be with this point in view.

"The men felt that their score against Grinnell last Saturday was only good and that there is something real coming next Saturday.

"The question is not, whether the Cornhuskers shall be beaten, but how large the score shall be. The record of the team this year and its place in the final reckoning will be measured largely by the scores run up against its opponents. Nebraska will play only two big games, Iowa and Illinois, neither of which is in line for championship honors. Northwestern is also out of the running as a result of last Saturday. Thus our place on the grid-iron this fall will be largely the result of comparison, if no post-season game is played, and this seems improbable.

"From these circumstances, the only conclusion to be drawn is that every team on the schedule must be swamped by scores now unthought of, and this seems to be the idea of the squad.

"Last night the practice, although a bit ragged, was full of spirit. The men are getting their feet under them and playing the kind of ball which counts for something.

"There is plenty of coaching. Dr. Williams and Dobie being assisted by many able alumni who came over in the afternoon to impart their knowledge of the game. Sig Harris was out in a suit again last night, and threw in his share of the coaching. Smith was in the game after a short period of indisposition and is coming along in good form.

"One of the big questions is, who will be given the honor of going in against Nebraska on Saturday? Strathern is

sure to be at center to captain the team. As guards, three men are conspicuous, and all may be given a chance to prove their calibre. They are Thorpe, Smith, and Oech. If two of these go out, Ricker may be given a chance. For tackles Brush will occupy one side of the line with Case, Vita or Tschabold on the other. As one end, Marshall will be a conspicuous quantity, but the other is in doubt. It is a question whether Burdick has yet caught up in his training to the many good qualities which Luce has developed.

"As quarterback, Hunter has a chance to make a sudden reputation which O'Brien achieved when he led the team against Iowa last year. If his leg permits he should come up to the fondest expectations of the rooters. He will have a good example to follow or lead as the case may be, for in all probability, Benedict will be at the quarterback position for Nebraska."



HARRIS.

Minnesota's former quarterback. Will probably not be in Saturday's game, owing to his not reporting for practice until last Tuesday. He is one of the fastest quarters in the west.

—Courtesy Minnesota Daily.

Final figures on the proceeds of the recent faculty circus give the total receipts of the affair as \$394.87. This is almost \$50 in excess of the first estimated proceeds, and exceeds the receipts of last year's faculty foolishness by about \$40. No report of the expenditures has been made yet, but it is not expected that these will exceed \$50, so that the college settlement will probably receive in the neighborhood of \$350 from the circus.

GET NO NEW RATE

All Efforts to Secure Excursion Unavailing.

Few Rooters Accompany the Team.—Nebraskan Represented.

To the great regret of the student body no rate low enough to make the trip to Minnesota possible was made. Encouragement was held out to the management and at the last moment the road with whom negotiations were pending stated that they could not do better than \$12.40. The fact that such a bitter rate war has just been fought at Omaha when the rate to Minneapolis was cut to \$3, is largely responsible for the fact that we did not get a low rate. A great deal of ill feeling was engendered among railroad men by the low cut at Omaha, and no road felt like incurring further displeasure by another low cut. The local representative of the C. & N. W., Mr. R. W. McGinnis, did his best to get us a rate, but was unable to swing the men at headquarters his way. After all hope seemed gone Mr. McGinnis again took the matter up, but to no avail. His efforts in our behalf should have been successful, ordinarily, but the peculiar circumstances made it impossible for him to secure the rate desired.

Through the courtesy of the Northwestern railroad, however, The Nebraskan will have a special representative at the game, in the person of our athletic editor, Mr. F. A. Sweeley, and will endeavor to present an accurate account of what is done at Minnesota in next Tuesday's paper. Mr. Sweeley accompanied the team on its northern trip, and will have the best of opportunities of seeing the "inside of the game."

MUSIC AT CHAPEL.

An Interesting Program by Miss Dales is Promised.

The following is the regular Friday musical program, which will be rendered in convocation this morning:

Violin Recital
Miss Silence Dales.
Fantasia Appassionata.....Viextemps
Adagio Spohr

Dr. Clements is working on a new book on ecological methods, for which many orders have already come in. He hopes to have it out within a few months.



BURDICK.

Minnesota's right end. The man who will oppose Captain Benedict.

—Courtesy Minnesota Daily.



CURRENT.

Minnesota's fullback.

—Courtesy Minnesota Daily.