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A GLANCE BACKWARDS.

The football season is over at Nebraska and time enough has elapsed since the last game to make possible an unbiased review of the season, from the standpoint of the average supporter of the game at our institution. We have no charges to make nor no bouquets to offer. Our sole mission is that of the bleacher critic.

Nebraska faced at the beginning of the year the hardest schedule that a Cornhusker team has ever been called upon to play. The reasons for this fact were valid, but the fact was nevertheless extant. The Athletic Board was in debt to the extent of about \$700 and the season was called upon not only to pay its own expenses, but

way to prevent a successful season, let us see what was actually done.

The Hastings College game was hardly worthy of the name and furnished no criterion of the ability of our team as a team. The games on the succeeding weeks with South Dakota and with Drake simply showed how far behind the normal development of that time in the season the Cornhusker team really was. We won, but in both cases by so narrow a margin that we had no right to feel any elation. It began to look as tho the prediction of a thoroly unsuccessful season were to be fulfilled to a letter. Then came the Ames disaster and dependency on the part of the rooters. Nebraska stock took a decided slump except on the part of the football squad. Here one encouraging feature of the season first manifested itself. The squad simply gritted its collective teeth and became whole-somely angry over its apparent inefficiency. The campus was scoured for better material, and with some success, for when, after a game of tag with Doane, the team lined up for the Minnesota contest, there was such a change for the better that Nebraska supporters could hardly believe their eyes when the final bulletin was posted announcing that the much vaunted Gophers had been held to 0 to 0 in one half, and that but one touchdown could be made by them in the second half.

Naturally, confidence was somewhat restored in the camp of the Cornhuskers and the Creighton game, while not raising it very much, still gave no evidences of a relapse. Then came Kansas and a defeat that was so undeserved that the hurt of it rankles yet. A complete demoralization seemed to possess the whole Nebraska team, which, taken in conjunction with the physical incapacity of the director of the Cornhusker plays, handed the game to the Jayhawkers as a gift.

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those left over from a previous year. More than this, there was the very discouraging factor that in all the Varsity squad there was a nucleus of only five old men about which to build a team. Our line of the year before was entirely a minus quantity and in the light of the pronounced stand of our faculty against professional and otherwise ineligible players and of the decided scarcity of material that gave any promise of football ability, things assuredly looked anything but hopeful.

Still another cause for discouragement was the fact that two coaches were installed who were absolutely unknown at Nebraska until their arrival in Lincoln. They had the double difficulty of entering a new field and of working with a green bunch of players. And, as if this were not enough, they had the task of devising plays, under an entirely new and untried set of rules, which should best suit a team of which they had no previous knowledge.

Considering all the obstacles in the

The Chicago game merely demonstrated the proverbial Nebraska stick-to-it-ive-ness, for the Cornhuskers were clearly outplayed. Their gritty determination to play ball till the final whistle, however, prevented the contest from becoming a farce and there were a few spots where really first-class football was in evidence.

The Cincinnati game was a decided anti-climax. If such a thing were possible after such a season. It was too easy to be interesting and did not in any way demonstrate that our team had at last found championship form. It was simply indicative of the weakness of the Cincinnati team and nothing besides.

We have not the intention to call the season past a success or a failure. In our opinion it was not wholly either. From a financial standpoint it is certainly not a failure since there will be a substantial balance left in the treasury even after the old deficit is straightened out. From the standpoint of clean athletics there is something to be said on both sides. The

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PAN-AMERICANISM.

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and England is practically as near that as New York is.

In 1881, J. G. Blaine, secretary of state under President Garfield, announced the first Pan-American conference to meet at Washington. Trade, money, customs, tariffs, and arbitrations were considered there, but the outcome was not great. In 1901 the second conference was held in the city of Mexico, and in 1906 the third was held at Rio Janeiro. It is hoped that it will bring about a better understanding and a new democratic spirit of equality.

The School of Music has established a bureau to enable members of its faculty who are concert performers to give public recitals thruout the state. Miss Weltzel, who has charge of the correspondence, has been sending out numerous circulars bearing specially on this bureau. Among those who will take part in the work are Mr. Steckelberg, Mr. Shellhorn, Mr. Stevens, and Miss Upton.

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