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## OFFICERS' DANCE

ANNUAL HOP TO BE UNUSUALLY NOVEL FUNCTION.

Military Music, Refreshments, Decorations, Doorkeeper, Caterer, and Hosts to Be Order of Evening.

The annual Officers' Hop to be held in Fraternity Hall tomorrow evening will be unique in the history of similar functions in Nebraska. The "watchword" for the evening will be "militarism" and the idea embodied in the word will be carried out just so far as possible, in every feature of the dance.

A complete program of military music has been prepared which will incorporate into it all the bugle calls in ordinary use in military circles. The exact connection between the various calls and the music for the dancing has not been announced but will appear upon examination of the printed programs for the evening, which will in their turn be distinctively military in make-up.

Decorations will be war-like in the extreme and the chairman of the dance announces that elaborate preparations have been made to secure unusual and artistic effects. More than this, the military effect will be carried out in the nature of refreshments—army beans, hardtack, and coffee are hinted at—and both the caterer and the doorkeeper will be effectively disguised as aid-de-camps of His Excellency, the chairman.

Invitations have been extended to the local officers of the National Guard and the replies received indicate that Major Phelps and Colonel Storch will be present at the dance to lend proper official dignity to the function. The officers of the cadet battalion, who will be hosts for the evening, will appear in full uniform, even to swords and medals, but ordinary civilians who attend will be permitted to appear in strictly informal evening costume.

The limit of tickets on sale has been almost reached and all who wish tickets now are urged to procure them at once. Eighty tickets at \$1.50 each have been put on the University market and positively no more will be sold.

The Officers' Hop has taken an interesting turn within the past couple of years. When it was first established as an annual affair it was announced as a strictly formal dance, but the experience of several years proved that the student body was not looking for increased formality in its social regime. The function came to a point where it was a losing proposition financially, and as a last resort it was turned into a strictly informal affair, since which time it has prospered exceedingly.

A complete report of the receipts and expenditures of the hop together with the disposition of what net proceeds there may be, will be published in the Nebraskan as soon as the accounts can be audited.

The Senior play committee will meet in U. 106 on Friday morning at 11 o'clock.

Miss Rose Brewster of Beatrice, '05, is spending a few days in Lincoln.

## BASKET BALL INFORMAL

## IOWA vs. NEBRASKA

## MONDAY NIGHT ARMORY

### SCORES AT CONVOCATION.

Professor Losey Makes Debut Before University Audience.

Professor Losey, the newly appointed instructor in the department of Public Speaking and Elocution who has succeeded Miss Alice Howell, scored a decided hit at his appearance before a Convocation audience yesterday morning. The program, which consisted of readings from Shakespeare and Kipling, formed Professor Losey's debut into the general acquaintance of the University public and was most enthusiastically received.

Professor Losey's personality as a reader is exceedingly marked. His control over himself and his intellectual grasp of the selection which he gives, work together in exerting a powerful hold upon his audience. In mechanical finish his rendition is almost perfect, and his unusually resonant voice as well as his attention to the details of articulation denote many years of the most careful training.

The two most artistic and powerful selections, read by Professor Losey were both by Kipling, the first one being "Danny Deever," and the second, "Gunga Din." In the second of these, particularly, the speaker worked upon his audience with telling effect. The other selections read were Kipling's "Recessional" and excerpts from Shakespeare's "Henry IV."

Harvey E. Shotwell, an old engineering student of Nebraska, visited Lincoln several days ago. He was a student here during the '80's, and the appearance of the campus was so changed to him as to be barely recognizable. Mr. Shotwell is now connected with the engineering department of the city of Seattle, and is also owner of a large ranch in the state of Washington.

J. Barrett of the Historical Society, has nearly completed a directory of Nebraska Alumni, arranged according to geographical location. This directory, the registrar hopes to have printed and distributed in the near future.

### A PERMANENT COMMITTEE.

Juniors Adopt Novel System to Carry on Social Affairs.

The Juniors have decided that it is necessary, in order that they may work up some degree of class spirit in a social way, to establish a permanent social committee, whose duty it shall be at all times to originate schemes for class entertainment in accordance with the season. The following committee has been appointed to take the matter in hand and it is hoped that there will be speedy results from its deliberations: Chairman, Mr. T. H. Matters. Committee: Messrs. Alden and Buila and Misses Kiewitt and Fitzgerald.

This arrangement is unique among the classes of the University and the success which it meets in its efforts will be watched with interest by the officers of the other classes.

### SPECIAL TO CADETS.

Department of Military Science Announces Obligatory Lecture.

A special order from the Department of Military Science, issued late yesterday afternoon, reads in substance as follows:

All cadets will meet in Memorial Hall this (Thursday) afternoon at 5 o'clock. A lecture on military subjects will be given in place of the usual class recitations.

Each cadet will give his name to his own section marcher, who will be stationed at the west entrance of Memorial Hall at the beginning of the hour. Cadets will bring with them their Drill Regulations and Guard Manuals.

Professor Luckey of the department of Education is busy getting ready to leave for Europe at the end of this semester. Most of the professor's time will be spent in several large German universities, and investigating the secondary education questions in the large cities of that country. At the beginning of the next school year in September, Professor Luckey will return to continue his work in this University.

## OFFICER'S HOP

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## MAY BREAK UP

THE "BIG NINE" THREATENED WITH DISRUPTION.

Work of Conference Causes Talk of Withdrawal—Michigan Takes Action and Others May Follow.

The Western Conference, in session at Chicago, Saturday, dealt a heavy blow to many of the members—a blow that will probably cause some of the colleges to withdraw from the organization. In refusing to alter the rules and adopt the changes proposed by the rules committee the "Big Nine" has seriously injured the athletics of many of the conference schools. All of the colleges in the "Big Nine" lose by the action, some much more than others.

Two or three of the members are threatening to withdraw from the organization so that they may be free to conduct their athletics without restriction. Chief among these dissentors is Michigan. The feeling at that institution is strongly in favor of cutting loose from the western body and joining the eastern colleges.

The injury to Michigan athletics is great and will make a visible hole in the future standing of that school. The sentiment of the Ann Arbor students is well voiced by the Michigan Daily. Speaking of the action of the Conference, that paper says in part:

"This merciless attack is generally regarded as the straw that will break the camel's back. It is the height of absurdity to think that Michigan's athletic development should be guided by colleges like Northwestern, for instance, which abolished football two years ago. A mass meeting of the students will be held this week to petition the University senate to withdraw from the conference."

Iowa and Chicago also threaten to pull out of the "Big Nine," but the students of neither school have taken any action in that direction as yet. They are waiting to see what Michigan does.

The steps of Michigan and the other schools toward withdrawal from the conference body will be watched with interest by the students of Nebraska. For several years the Cornhuskers have played football with some of the "Big Nine" elevens,—and always under the conference rules. A break-up of that organization would allow Nebraska to escape the rules imposed on her teams in contests with conference elevens, and would probably alter her standing among the western schools.

The proposed changes that the committee turned down at the meeting Saturday are:

That the football schedule be extended from five to seven games: Ayes—Michigan, Chicago, Iowa. Nays—Northwestern, Wisconsin, Purdue, Minnesota, Indiana, Illinois.

That the retroactive feature of the three-year eligibility rule be eliminated: Ayes—Michigan, Chicago, Iowa, Illinois, Wisconsin. Nays—Purdue, Northwestern, Minnesota, Indiana.

As a two-thirds vote was necessary  
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