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**THE CONFERENCE AND NEBRASKA.**

A great deal has been said the past few days in regard to Nebraska and the Big Nine Conference. The subject is one of interest to the students generally because much depends upon the disposition of this question. The position of Nebraska is unique, especially since the recent effort to organize a Missouri Valley Conference to consist of those schools in the region named. If this arrangement is made Nebraska will stand alone, being, as it is, outside of the Big Nine Conference at the present time and entirely unlikely to enter the Missouri Valley coalition in the future. It would seem that we were to be left decidedly out in the cold unless some ac-

The rules that are most strenuously opposed by the Cornhusker authorities are those in regard to the training table, the three-year clause and the Thanksgiving game. There is but little can be urged against the practice of maintaining a training table for the men during the football season and a very great deal could be said in support of the same. The main point is first that during this strenuous period the men receive the proper food and under the proper supervision of the coach if there is a training table. Further, than this, by association a spirit of unity is unquestionably aroused which is essentially important and which would be largely held in abeyance if this opportunity for close and continuous association should be denied. These features, in the experience of Nebraska football authorities, are worthy of grave consideration and should be duly weighed before being definitely abandoned.

As to the eligibility clause, Nebraska has been at all times willing to concede these requirements and has had no difficulty when such concessions were made. This is not a serious difficulty as between Nebraska and the Conference schools because such a requirement is one that has a decided tendency to maintain a high standard of scholarly attainment among the participants and is so recognized by all. The final question is as to the Thanksgiving day game and the financial importance thereof. It is not sordid nor an evidence of a spirit of commercialism on the part of the authorities in giving this subject due consideration, but is, on the other hand, plain common sense. And further, if this point is indefinitely disregarded the final outcome would unquestionably be no football at Ne-

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braska has even as yet been asked to join the Conference. Nor could such invitation be extended until the next meeting of the Conference in June, 1908.

**UNIVERSITY BULLETIN.**

Tuesday, January 21.

11:00 a. m.—Memorial Hall.  
Convocation—Chancellor E. Benj. Andrews, "Our Bright Political Prospects."

Friday, January 24.

Sophomore Leap Year Informal.

Saturday, February 1.

Basket-ball, Nebraska vs. Missouri.

Friday, February 21.

Lincoln Hotel.

Junior Prom.

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Saturday, February 22.

Basket-ball, Nebraska vs. Kansas.

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tion is taken which would result in an alliance with either the one or the other conference. Michigan has definitely signified her intention of quitting the "Big Nine," and this she can do without serious difficulty because of her ability to get games with the big eastern schools to take the place of the ones she loses. But Nebraska has no place to look for games except with the schools in the "Big Nine," Missouri Valley and the West. In the past, as outsiders, there has been but little trouble experienced in getting a very satisfactory schedule and it is possible, but not, however, probable, that this condition will continue.

braska. However, the prime object of the Athletic Board is not to make football a money-making scheme only insofar as is necessary to support those branches of athletics which are not self-supporting. Further than this, finances are not a consideration.

It would seem that Nebraska under the existing circumstances of her environment could not accede to this requirement. And as to the other points of difference it might be possible that different rules be substituted to take the place of the present ones. However, the precipitation of this discussion at this time is due to Michigan's action and not to the fact that Ne-

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