

COACH STAGG SPEAKS

RILED UP ABOUT THE REPORTS CONCERNING "PURCHASES."

NEBRASKA TALK IS POPPY COCK

Admits Chicago Needs Some Stars, But Declares Money Was Never Offered Any of the Cornhusker Players.

The Tribune of yesterday prints the following:

Athletic stars of the middle west colleges have a bad case of the autumn wanderlust, according to Director A. A. Stagg of the University of Chicago. In the last two years the Maroon coach has received letters from scores of athletes playing at rival colleges, saying they would like to quit their university for the Midway school.

Stagg was riled up yesterday by the reports of the Nebraska charges that he had stolen or "purchased" two of the Cornhusker stars, and in self-defense made a statement that indicated that a great number of the middle west's best athletes were seized annually with an almost uncontrollable desire to be on the move.

"Within the last two years I have had a great many letters from athletes at other universities with which we have relations informing me that they would like to enter Chicago," Stagg said. "As near as I can remember, there was none who asked a money stipulation. Most of them, however, said they would have to get work to pay their expenses."

No Answer to Inquirers.

"I have received so many of these letters that I have now made it a rule not to answer any of them when I receive them. I have answered a few, and in each case I have advised them to remain where they are, saying that it would be best for them and best for us. I simply could not afford to get an athlete in this way."

"I could have had two of the biggest stars in the west this fall for our team if I had only said the word to come. They will play against us on other teams, and if we had them we would be well off indeed. Both of these boys wanted to come to Chicago. I told them both to stay away; that we did not want them."

"It has been my policy never to encourage an athlete to give up one school for another, especially to come to Chicago. We have never got an athlete here in this way, and the charges that I, or my agents so called, 'bought' two football players of the Nebraska eleven is pure poppycock."

"If I were in the business of buying athletes I surely would have bought some for our football team this year, because we certainly need some stars. I hope I would have had enough foresight to have done that much."

"Purchases" Fail to Appear.

Collins and Minor, the two Nebraska players mentioned, did not put in an appearance at the Midway yesterday. Walker, whose brother played on the Maroon teams a few years ago, and who is the only one at the Midway who seems to know anything about their coming, did not hear from them. It is believed if they are coming at all they will arrive today.

Captain Steffen changed his form in punting and drop kicking yesterday, under the special coaching of Stagg, who believes the quarter back now will be able to get his kicks off much faster with longer distance. The change had little to do with the theory of booting the ball, and was in regard to the strides taken forward in sending it off.

Heretofore Steffen has moved up at least four yards towards the line of scrimmage in getting the ball away, but now he has cut down this distance and lessened the chances of a blocked kick.

Shows Surprising Accuracy.

The Maroon captain stood on the thirty yard line and from nearly every possible angle kicked the ball over the goal posts in marvelous fashion. The accuracy of his drop kicking was a big surprise to the coaches, as it

ANNUAL Y.M.C.A. "Stag" Reception

SATURDAY EVE. SEPTEMBER 26

FOR ALL UNIVERSITY MEN

was the first he has done this year. Stagg will keep Steffen busy every day with his field goals, as the coach hopes to offset some of the weaknesses of his eleven by Steffen's drop kicking ability.

Several new freshmen reported, among them Robinson, captain of the fast Morgan Park academy team of last year. He is a quarterback, weighs 160 pounds, and is considered one of the most promising freshmen in many years.

REGISTRATION BREAKS RECORD.

Enrollment Nearly Ten Per Cent Higher Than Last Year.

While registration is not yet entirely completed the great majority of students have registered, and the early indications of an unusually heavy registration have been fulfilled. Up to date the total registration is 1904 as against 1754 for last year. This makes a total gain of 150. It is estimated that there will be a large increase in the registration at the state farm. And if this is the case the total registration will probably reach 3,500.

The registration for this week is as follows:

Monday, 136; Tuesday, 61; Wednesday, 35; Thursday, 23.

THE INTER-FRATERNITY PRIZES.

Ribbons Will Be Distributed Within a Few Days.

The ribbons for the winners in the inter-fraternity athletic meet held in the gymnasium last April, are here and will be distributed in a few days. Saturday the shield for the winning team will reach here. First honors were carried off by Alpha Theta Chi, with Phi Psi and Delta Upsilon a close second and third. The shield will become the permanent property of the fraternity which wins the meet for three years in succession.

The athletic league among the fraternities was formed last spring and aroused considerable interest. It is thought that the meet can be made an annual event.

INCREASE IN BOOK STORE SALES.

Are Ten Per Cent Larger Than Those of Last Year.

Ten per cent increased sales are reported thus far at the regents' book store in the temple. This is thought to be approximately proportionate to the larger registration which has been reached in all departments. The division of business between the regents' store and the private enterprises is therefore the same as last year.

Purchasing Agent Clark, who is in charge of the store, expresses himself as well pleased with the sales. He says they are all that could be expected.

All university girls are invited to meet Mrs. Andrews and the ladies of the faculty Saturday afternoon from four to six in the reception room of Memorial hall.

A MONTH OF IDLENESS

WORK ON ENGINEERING BUILDING TIED UP AGAIN.

TERRA COTTA WAS OFF COLOR

Chicago Concern Must Return the Big Consignment of Brick Intended for the University's New Structure.

To the disgust of Professor Richards, and the despair of all those interested in the rapid completion of the engineering building, it is now announced that another delay will be caused in the progress of the work. The walls of the building have now reached the first floor level, and it was confidently expected that the contractors would be able to put a force of from twenty to thirty masons on the job this week and rush the walls up in a short time. This hope was shattered by the news that the sample of the terra cotta trimmings needed in the first story walls were so badly off color that they did not harmonize at all with the color scheme of the building. As a result it was announced that they would not be accepted. The Northwestern Terra Cotta company, of Chicago, which had the contract, declares that it will be necessary to return the terra cotta now ready for shipment and that this process will take about a month.

Wait for a Month.

It will be possible to do a little work on the inside walls, but the outside walls cannot go any higher until the last of October. An even further delay is quite likely, as the enamelled brick for the halls has not yet arrived.

This delay is very serious as there is no telling how long the weather will remain pleasant. If next winter should happen to be mild and open perhaps all will be well, but otherwise the brick work may be delayed until spring. It was originally planned to have the building ready for occupancy by next fall, but even this may not be possible if the building does not progress more rapidly in the future than it has up to date.

Much of the material to be used in the building is obtained from local firms.

The structural iron work, however, is furnished by the Paxton Verling company of Omaha. The Northwestern Terra Cotta company of Chicago, has the contract for the terra cotta work, while Humboldt brick are used in the foundations.

Walls Are Strong.

Professor Richards is enthusiastic about the foundation walls in the new building. The bricks have been entirely laid in Portland cement, and together with the highly vitrified brick makes a wall that is like flint.

The floors in the new building will be constructed of reinforced concrete. At the present time this method of construction is attracting a great deal

Student Tickets FOR GIRLS AS WELL AS BOYS

Admits You to All Athletics for \$3.00

ON SALE AT Uni Treasurer's Office Co-Op and Y. M. C. A.

SOLD TO STUDENTS ONLY Section Reserved for Girls' Rooting Squad

MILLER & PAINE

Of Interest to Students and Those Who Provide for Their Needs

- 16 x 16 Oak Table..... 65c
- 24 x 25 Oak Table..... \$1.45
- Sewing Tables, extra fine finish and strength..... 1.25
- The M. and P. Oil nickel plated lamp, shades are extra..... 1.25
- Gas Mantles, special three for..... 25c
- Gas Lights complete— for..... 30c
- Inverted Gas Lights— for..... 65c

Books at Special Prices

GOOD WEBSTER DICTIONARIES.

- Webster's Practical Dictionary—best cheap dictionary on the market—copyrighted 1906 by the publishers of the International Dictionary. Our Special Price..... 25c
- Ideal Edition of the Practical Dictionary—bound to stand years of hard usage; excellent paper. Our Special Price..... 75c
- Webster's Condensed Dictionary—bound like the ideal edition—larger with patent thumb index, Special Price..... \$1.00

FOR LATIN STUDENTS.

Burt's Latin-English Dictionary—revised and enlarged. Best for students' use—endorsed by the university teachers. Publisher's price 75c. We will sell forty copies only, at, each..... 38c

FOUNTAIN PEN BARGAINS.

"The Laughlin" fountain pen, widely advertised in leading magazines as a \$3.00 fountain pen for \$1.00. We will sell a limited number of these pens this week at, each..... 75c

of attention and is being tried in many large buildings being constructed all over the country. In the engineering building the only part constructed in accordance with this principle is the floor.

PERU EXPECTS A LOWER SCORE.

Believes That Showing Will Be Better Than in 1907.

PERU, Neb., September 23—The Peru State Normal opened up for registration, Monday, September 21, and football practice began the same evening, about twenty men turning out. About half of the old men are out and last year's subs and the new recruits will furnish the rest. Peru regards the coming contest as an excellent opportunity of testing the quality of her material. The normal expects to hold the university to a lower score than last year. They are going to Lincoln with the idea of making Nebraska earn every touchdown she makes.

The line-up will probably be as follows:

- Helms, right end, 140.
- Lincoln, right tackle, 155.
- Zink, right guard, 160.
- Swenson, center, 190.
- McReynolds, left guard, 150.
- Gelvick, left tackle, 145.
- Medley, left end, 140.
- Medley, right half, 140.
- Stewart, left half, 145.
- Renfro, quarter, 135.
- Ray, fullback, 150.

"KING" COLE WILL BE PRESENT.

Coach to Speak at Y. M. C. A. Reception Tomorrow.

Saturday night is the time; the armory is the place.

At 8 p. m., tomorrow evening the university Y. M. C. A. will open its winter series of social events with a genuine "good time" social. Numerous stunts will be offered for all comers and there will be something doing from start to finish.

The social formally opens the year. It is intended especially as a welcome to new students. Coach Cole will be present with other leading university men and they will endeavor to get acquainted with all new-comers.

Next Monday evening the first set of orders will be issued by Captain Workizer. Drill for the past week has consisted in squad movements, but as soon as the rudiments are acquired by the men, rifles will be issued and company drill will begin.

R. P. Wiesselbach, assistant in the physics laboratory, was married Wednesday evening, September 23, to Miss Cora Herricks. They will sail from Boston, October 3, for Germany, where they intend to spend three years.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC

NEW SERVICES KING OF THE AGES by E. S. Lorenz
THE CHRISTMAS MESSAGE by Mrs. B. Wilson. Free samples of each to Superintendents or Chorists mentioning this paper.
ORCHESTRA SCORES to above (3 instruments) \$1.00 each.

CHRISTMAS TREASURY No. 17 Fresh ideas for Christmas programs. Recitations, Exercises and Dialogues. 15 cents per copy, post-paid, by mentioning this paper.

HUMOROUS CANTATAS FOR CHILDREN
A CHRISTMAS BERRY GATHERING (New, 1906) by Mrs. S. Willoughby
OLD KRIS KRINGLE by Chas. H. Gabriel
SANTA'S SURPRISE PARTY by J. A. Parks

Mention this paper, send 10 cents and get 5 cantatas, including the three above, on selection. To be returned if not paid for.

NEW S. S. SONG-BOOK (FOR GENERAL USE)
WRITE HEART AND VOICE \$25.00 per hundred. Returns sample sent post-paid.

CHRISTMAS ANTHEMS
CHOIR LEADER (for strong chorus choir).
CHOIR HERALD (easy music)

A free sample of each to choir leaders and organists mentioning this paper.
In Octavo Form. Mention this paper, send 10 cents and we will mail a large selection for examination.

CHRISTMAS SHEET MUSIC. Mention this paper, send 10 cents and we will mail selections—singles and duets for all voices—to be paid for at usual sheet music rate or returned postpaid if good condition in ten days.

ORGAN VOLUNTARIES NOVEMBER ORGANIST. 25 pages, 25 cents.

THE LORENZ PUBLISHING CO.
180 Fifth Avenue NEW YORK 212-213 W. Fifth St. DAYTON, OHIO

How to Attract and Hold an Audience

EVERY teacher, every clergyman, every lawyer, every man or woman or youth who is likely ever to have occasion in committee, or in public, to enlist the interest of one or more hearers, and convince them—every person who ever has to, or is likely to have to "speak" to one or more listeners will find in our new book a clear, concise, complete handbook which will enable him to succeed!

PRICE—\$1.00 Postpaid—CLOTH

HINDS & NOBLE, Publishers
31-33-35 West 18th Street, N. Y. City
Schoolbooks of all publishers at one store

GRAND PRIZE
Highest Award
WORLD'S FAIR
ST. LOUIS

WEBSTER'S INTERNATIONAL DICTIONARY

RECENTLY ENLARGED
WITH
25,000 New Words and Phrases
New Gasetteer of the World
New Biographical Dictionary
Edited by W. T. Harris, Ph.D., LL.D.
United States Commissioner of Education.
2380 Quarto Pages. 5000 Illustrations.

Also Webster's Collegiate Dictionary
1113 Pages. 1400 Illustrations.
Regular Edition 7 1/2 x 8 1/2 inches. 2 bindings.
De Luxe Edition 8 1/2 x 11 1/2 inches. 2 bindings from same plates, on bible paper. 2 beautiful bindings.

FREE, "Dictionary Writings." Illustrated pamphlets.

G. & C. MERRIAM CO.
Publishers, Springfield, Mass.
GET THE BEST