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It is to be hoped that the action of the chancellor in presiding over the first freshman class meeting will have the effect of restraining such wholesale kidnapping as the university was treated to last year. It is undoubtedly a good thing to have class rivalry and lots of it, but the way in which kidnapping has been carried on in recent years can hardly be defended. It is not only likely to take the person who is kidnapped away from his classes at a time when he can ill afford to be absent, but it also is likely to place a debt upon the class that is far more than the whole thing is worth.

The objections which are noted above do not apply in the same way to such class contests as are held at stated times and under the supervision of the authorities. Such contests develop intense rivalry while they last, but they are not stretched out over a number of days. They develop closer friendship, and unity among the different classes instead of being simply the result of the secret planning of a few. It would certainly be a great step forward if some such contest as push ball could be developed as an annual event at Nebraska.

NEW UNIVERSITY PIN.

The attempt of the senior class to develop a standard university pin on which the numerals of each class can be engraved is an attempt worthy of the highest commendation. One of

MANY BIG CONTESTS

TODAY MARKED BY MEETING OF CLOSELY MATCHED TEAMS

GOPHERS EXPECT STIFF FIGHT

Final Practice Held by Coach Williams - Chicago and Illinois to Clash On Marshall Field This Afternoon.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Oct. 16—Final scrimmage play in preparation for the Nebraska game was held at Northrop field yesterday. It was 6:30 before Coach Williams sent the men to the armory. The scrubs broke through the line on several occasions and the work of the regulars was far from satisfactory. Nebraska is coming with a team of veteran players and will be heavier than Minnesota. Tomorrow Dr. Williams will drill his men in team play and signal work. If the reports from Nebraska can be relied upon Minnesota will be up against a stiff proposition on Saturday. Chicago.

CHICAGO, Oct. 16—With the Maroons in the best of shape and the plays especially evolved for the Illinois game perfected, it is probable the Midways will beat the downstaters in the contest tomorrow. Not since 1901 has Illinois triumphed over the Maroons. Since that time the Orange and Blue has had some strong teams, but these were never able to win.

Reports from Urbana have it that if Illinois is not successful in winning the majority of its games this year, the graduate system of coaching will be dropped and another plan hit upon whereby better results will be obtained. This also is the consensus of opinion among the alumni, and if these reports are true, some gigantic strides must be taken by the coaches if they expect to win the goodly number of games.

The state team has shown nothing in its two games to warrant such confidence—in fact, the showing has been poor. It is hardly likely that a team can improve enough in a week to defeat an eleven that has played brilliant football in its contests. Chicago has defeated its two opponents decisively, while Illinois was held to a tie game last Saturday by Marquette and given a close call by Monmouth, the Saturday before. Of course this is an unsatisfactory method of comparing the strength of the two elevens, but it furnishes food for thought.

One thing is certain, Chicago will have a better assortment of plays than its opponents. Illinois is basing its hopes of winning on its line. It is admitted that the line is stronger, but the versatility of the Chicago back field offsets this advantage.

If Illinois plays Van Hook, the great guard, at defensive quarter they will not be using him to the best of advantage. It will be hard for this giant to keep continually running all over the field intercepting forward passes and onside kicks besides stop-

Illinois. CHAMPAIGN, Ill., Oct. 16—Being doped to lose Saturday's game with Chicago has not dampened the spirit of the Illinois rooters, who bought today nearly 1,200 tickets in all. This means that the Illini will have a rooting delegation of over 1,500 on the trains that leave here on Saturday and Chicago alumni will swell the total.

Tomorrow the university band will lead the rooters in a march to Illinois field, where a roofest will be held to give the team a final send-off. The confident statements of Coach Arthur Hall and Captain Van Hook served to inspire the Illini with a lot more hope.

Illinois is expected to outweigh the Chicago eleven slightly Saturday. The local team will average 171 pounds and the line from end to end will average 185 pounds. Coach Lindgren believes Hull, the new center, and Purnell, the guard, will prove strong players.

Today's practice gave the final tip on the make-up of the eleven. All there was in doubt was the back field and Ritchey, Bremer, and Pettigrew were with the varsity. They went through two and a half hours' work, despite warm weather, that may be a backset as far as conditioning the men goes.

Despite the grueling atmosphere, Van Hook and his men jumped through formations with appropriate ginger and vim. Especial attention was paid to the open work plays, which are the greatest hope of the orange and blue. Sinnock's passes were elegant, as usual, and the Illini will be sorely disappointed if the forward pass does not prove successful against the Maroons.

Van Hook, Sinnock, Pettigrew, Railsback, and Wham, veterans of two campaigns, who play their last Chicago game Saturday, clasped hands tonight in the trainers' quarters and declared that Chicago could and would be beaten.

IOWA CITY, Iowa, Oct. 16—A report was circulated last evening that the Iowa authorities would wire Professor Clark W. Hetherington of the University of Missouri claiming that Captain Miller, guard; Anderson, tackle, and Carothers, guard, all star members of the University of Missouri team, were ineligible under the conference rules.

The Iowa officials were silent on the matter, merely saying that nothing could be given out. They admitted that there might be a question on whether Iowa was playing Missouri under conference, meaning "big eight" rules, or the regulations of the Missouri Valley conference. The claim is made locally that these players are four-year men, that is, playing their fourth year as members of the University of Missouri team.

The practice last night furnished no encouragement. Carberry was shifted to half, where he was given a thorough trial. Fee played in Collins' place at the other half, with Stewart at quarter. Catlin is developing his sub halves for fear of injury to the regulars. Missouri.

COLUMBIA, Mo., Oct. 16—Behind closed gates the Missouri eleven is preparing for its big game with the University of Iowa on Saturday. Mon-



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the greatest lacks of this university is the distinctive features which so many of the eastern colleges have. At the present time there is no neat pin or emblem which the student can wear, both while he is in the university and after he graduates that is recognized as the standard emblem of the university.

After a student has graduated from the university, the thing that is really of most importance to him is the fact that he is a Nebraska man; the fact that he was a member of a certain class being of secondary importance. If the scheme which is now under consideration becomes an established custom at Nebraska, it will add materially to the permanent value of the class pin and will also make a standard university pin which students can wear after they graduate.

BULLETINS OF GAME.

Those of the student body who are so unfortunate as to be unable to go to Minnesota should at least take time off tomorrow and see the reports of the game as they are received. The Nebraska Telephone company has arranged to post bulletins of the game at their office on South Thirteenth and the Star will do the same at its office on South Eleventh. If it is impossible to actually be with the team we can at least be with them in spirit and show that the opportunity of knowing each play as it is made is appreciated.

ping the straight plays. The captain will have to be in mighty good condition to stand the hard work. It would seem more advisable to place a fast and shifty man in this position, as it is improbable that Van Hook will be able to catch Steffen, Page or Iddings when they once get started around the end.

Illinois ends and tackles are not good enough to get down the field under every kick and tackle the fleet Maroons without considerable gain. On the other hand, the Chicago ends and line are strong in covering Steffen's kicks and the catcher seldom has been able to return the punt any distance.

Another asset which will greatly help the Maroons is the place kicking of Schommer. The big end is the find of the season in this department.

law, Missouri's head coach, is driving his men hard this week, in the hope of surprising the Hawkeyes upon this, their first invasion of the Tiger camp since 1902. The Missourians are hopeful, notwithstanding the fact that Iowa rolled up a 92 to 0 score against Coe college last Saturday.

Three squads are now running signals until after dark on Rollins field. One squad is "varsity," another is "Iowa," using Iowa formations, and the third is a remnant bunch of substitutes. Every night one of these squads alternate at gymnasium stocking feet signal practice, mixed with blackboard lessons. In yesterday's scrimmage "Missouri" defeated the "Iowa" squad 5 to 0, but only after a lucky fuke. The men also are being coached in blocking kicks and stopping the

FOOTBALL Wesleyan vs. Grand Island College ANTELOPE PARK TODAY Game Starts at 3:00 p. m. Admission 25c

MADISON, Wis., Oct. 16—At the conclusion of the football practice at the Wisconsin University tonight, Coach Barry announced that he would take twenty-one players to Bloomington, Ind., today for Saturday's game. He said that in all probability most of the men would get a chance against the hoosiers because the team is not now in the best of condition for the hard game which is expected from the Indiana eleven.

BLOOMINGTON, Ind., Oct. 16—Coach Sheldon today held his last scrimmage practice before the Wisconsin game here on Saturday. The practice lasted an hour and a half and was the third successive one of equal length. The squad came out with plenty of speed and endurance, the two things Sheldon has worked on all week. It is safe to say the Indiana team will be a third better against Wisconsin than it was against Chicago. Betting here is even money that Indiana wins the game or 2 to 1 that she will score two touchdowns on the Badgers. The student body gathered tonight for a bonfire and mass meeting. Speeches were made by the players, President Bryan, and the faculty members. Between 5,000 and 6,000 are expected to attend the game.

Michigan. ANN ARBOR, Mich., Oct. 16—Gloom still prevades the Wolverine camp, and some uneasiness is expressed as to the outcome of the Notre Dame game. It is feared the Michigan line-up, still