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IS FORTY YEARS OLD

UNIVERSITY WILL CELEBRATE ITS BIRTHDAY NEXT MONDAY.

DEAN DAVIS TO GIVE ADDRESS

THE ANNUAL MID-WINTER COMMENCEMENT TO BE IN TEMPLE.

Fraternity-Barb Athletic Meet in the Afternoon, Preceded by Pershing Rifle Drill—Board of Regents Meet During the Day.

Next Monday is Charter day of the university. Forty years ago, on February 15, 1869, the act establishing the University of Nebraska went into effect. The university will celebrate its fortieth birthday with appropriate exercises, including the mid-winter commencement and the usual athletic contests. Dean Davis will speak at the commencement on the subject, "A Coming Aristocracy."

The commencement program in the evening, at which time a number of mid-year seniors will receive their degrees, will be the principal event of the day. At that time the university will do formal observance of the anniversary of its creation. Following a musical program by a string quartet and an invocation by Rev. H. H. Harmon, Mrs. E. B. Conant will render a vocal solo. Dean Ellery W. Davis will then deliver the principal address of the evening, it being the commencement address of the mid-year class.

A Coming Aristocracy.

Dean Davis will speak on the subject, "A Coming Aristocracy." He will endeavor to make the address commemorative both of the establishment of the university and of its work in the forty years since the enabling act went into effect, and also of the graduation of the seniors who are to formally leave it on its fortieth birthday.

In the afternoon at 2 o'clock the athletic program will be opened with a drill by the Pershing Rifles. This organization will go through various and complex evolutions calculated to show the perfection of military drill which may be attained by persistent work. At 3 p. m. the annual indoor athletic meet will be held. This year the meet will be in the form of a contest between barbs and fraternity men with an additional interest in the form of class relay races.

The meet will be held in the Armory and admission will be by ticket. The season tickets admitting to the barb and to the fraternity meets will also admit to the Pershing drill. Seats on the bleachers in the Armory will be reserved, the place of reservation to be announced later.

In Forty Years.

The University of Nebraska was founded by an act of the Nebraska legislature entitled "An act to establish the University of Nebraska." This act took effect on February 15, 1869. The university was at once organized and the construction of University hall was immediately started. With the completion of that building the actual work of instruction commenced and has continued ever since, with the intermission of the regular vacations. The early university had but few students, but it grew steadily with increasing age and within a short time the growth became very rapid as the state was settled more densely and the desire of the people for higher education grew with their ability to have it.

In 1875 a new state constitution was adopted which recognized the university as having corporate existence

and which laid the way for several important changes in its organization. The first legislature which convened under the new constitution materially changed the original act of 1869 and passed the act of 1877, under which the university continues to be governed.

By an amendment passed in 1899 the university receives the support of a one mill tax levied on the grand assessment roll of the state. Added to this are incomes from land leases and land sales secured under various federal grants for the support of industrial and agricultural institutions, in addition to the lands set aside at the organization of the state for a state university. These sources constitute the revenue system of the university.

In the forty years that have passed since the passage of the first act in 1869, the university has had a tremendous growth, from nothing to an institution educating three thousand students. The real property value of the school has been increased to a great amount and yet there is an urgent growing need for additional facilities.

Program in Detail.

Following is the detailed program for Charter day:

Meeting of Board of Regents. (Time unset.)

2:00 p. m.—All departments of the university open to the public. Music by University Cadet Band in Memorial hall. Pershing Rifle drill.

3:00 p. m.—Annual Indoor Athletic Meet. Grant hall.

8:00 p. m.—Mid-winter Commencement. Temple auditorium.

Commencement Program.

Selection.....String Quartet

Edwin Walt, first violin.

Ernest Harrison, second violin.

William Quick, viola.

Lillian Eiche, violincello.

Invocation—Rev. H. H. Harmon.

Soprano Solo—Mrs. E. B. Conant.

Charter Day Address—Dean E. W. Davis, dean of College of Literature, Science and Arts.

Conferring of Degrees.

Benediction.

SENIOR COMMITTEE SETS DAY

Announces the Time at Which Preliminaries Will Be Held.

The senior committee on interclass debating has announced that the try-outs for the senior debating team will be held in U. 106, Wednesday, February 17, at 7:30 o'clock. Faculty judges will choose the speakers for the senior team.

As provision has been made that all the teams must be chosen by February 22, the time now remaining for preparation for the first preliminary debate is rather short. In each class every effort is being made to get as many men out for the preliminaries as possible.

The question for the try-outs in each class will be the advisability of establishing a parcels post system in the United States. This question will also be the one used in the first series of interclass debates.

Everything indicates that the debates which were started this year will become a permanent feature of university life. According to present plans, a permanent interclass debating board will be formed a little later in the season which will have members elected regularly to it, as they are now elected to the publication board. The final debate will be held at the last convocation before the spring vacation, and all ten o'clock classes will be dismissed in order that there may be ample time for the completion of the debate.

Your car fare would pay for a nice lunch at The Boston Lunch. Why go home?

LOSE FIRST TO DRAKE

CORNHUSKERS AGAINST STRONG FOE AT DES MOINES.

EVEN BREAK SECURED AT AMES

AFTER LOSING FIRST GAME NEBRASKA TAKES SECOND.

Dr. Clapp's Men Were Handicapped at Drake Yesterday by Small Floor and Low Ceiling—Score of Game is 19 to 15.

After getting an even break at Ames with the fast aggie basket-ball team in two games the Nebraska five went down to defeat last night at Des Moines, Iowa, before the big Drake quintet of speedy players by a score of 19 to 15. Nebraska's defeat is attributed to the great handicap which the cornhuskers were under in playing on a small field in a room which had a low ceiling. The small proportions of the room prevented the Nebraska men, who were used to a large floor, from playing up to their standard.

During the entire game long and high passes of the ball were impossible. If the ball was shot high it hit the ceiling. The Drake men, being accustomed to the small field, crowded the Nebraska visitors into the sides of the room and wore them out.

Despite the big handicap which held them back the pupils of Dr. Clapp put up a game fight and kept the score running neck and neck up to the last minute of play when Witter, center on the Drake five, tossed two field goals that broke the tie and won the game for the Des Moines aggregation.

First Half 8 to 4.

There were not many goals thrown in the opening half, and the score at the intermission stood 8 to 4 in favor of Drake. In this session the cornhuskers were not able to work together and had very few chances to take shots at the basket.

The game was exceedingly rough during both halves. This was due more to the smallness of the floor, though, than to the aggressive play of either team. The men of both side were frequently pushed into the sides of the room in their efforts to get possession of the ball.

Captain Walsh of the Nebraska five made eight of the points accredited to his side. Perry threw two field goals for Nebraska and Wood made one goal. Witter of Drake was the star for his five. He threw three field goals.

The line-up:
Nebraska..... Drake.
Walsh.....rf..... Cave
Wood.....lf..... Buffle
Petrashek.....c..... Witter
Bell.....rf..... Sternberg
Perry.....lf..... Warner

Win Second Ames Game.

The second of the two games played with Ames at Ames Tuesday was won by the cornhuskers, the score being 31 to 17. In this contest the Nebraska players completely out-classed their opponents. The team work of the visiting five was so effective that the Ames men were often forced to stand around and gape at their opponents.

The news of the defeat of the cornhuskers at Drake last night was a disappointment to the Nebraska students, for the loss of that game still leaves the question of the championship in the northern section of the

Missouri valley league unsettled. If the cornhuskers had won yesterday they would have possessed a clear title to the honor in this division of the league. They can yet bring this result about by winning from Drake today. If, however, they should lose the second contest to the Des Moines men, they will also lessen greatly their chances of getting the championship.

As the teams now stand, Nebraska and Drake are the only possible winners of the title. Ames is out of the race, having lost four out of six scheduled games. Nebraska has won five out of seven games, while Drake has won two out of five contests. By losing today's game the cornhuskers will give Drake a chance to tie them in the race. If Drake wins today its record will be three games won and three games lost. It will still have two games to play with Ames, and in case it should win those it would be tied with Nebraska for first place in this section, each team having won five and lost three games.

Frat Meet Tomorrow.

The annual fraternity indoor athletic meet will be held in the armory tomorrow evening at 7:30 o'clock. Eight of the Greek letter societies, have entered teams, and the biggest indoor meet ever held at Nebraska is expected to be pulled off by the fraternity men.

PROGRAM IS TO BE REPEATED

Dvorak's Symphony Demanded Again by Committee.

This morning at convocation the rather unusual feature of the repetition of a musical program will be witnessed. Dvorak's New World Symphony, which is the program, was given once before this year and it made such an unusual impression upon those that heard it that at the request of the committee in charge of convocation, it is to be repeated again today.

The convocation today is the third time that this program has been scheduled. The first time a large audience had to be dismissed because one of the musicians was unable to be present. The program was, however, given two days later.

Five persons will take part in the program. Mr. E. J. Walt will have the first violin, Mr. Ernest Harrison the second violin, Mr. Wm. Quick the viola, Miss Lillian Eiche the violincello, and Mrs. Raymond the organ. The program itself is as follows:
New World Symphony.....Dvorak
Adagio-Allegro-Molto
Largo.
Scherzo.
Allegro con fuoco.

SENIOR ELECTION TO BE TODAY

Postponed Meeting of Upper Class at 11:30 This Morning.

The senior class will meet at 11:30 this morning in Memorial hall to elect a president and to transact other business. The meeting is the one which should have been held Tuesday. The bad weather at that time resulted in the postponement of the meeting.

E. W. Hills and I. F. Baker are the candidates for president. Hills is a six-year law and Baker is an engineer. The contest will probably be close.

Notice.

All men who rented lockers from the military department for the entire year, but who are not registered in the department this semester, must see the quartermaster at once.

CLARENCE J. KREMER,
Adjutant, University Cadets.

Notice.

Sophomore relay try-outs have been postponed to Saturday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock. All contestants be present.

AIMED AT STUDENTS

SENATE WOULD PREVENT THEIR VOTING IN LINCOLN.

MUST BE SUPPORTING SELVES

IF ON OTHER RESOURCES MUST VOTE ELSEWHERE.

Matters of Interest to University Now on the Calendar at Session of the State Legislature—Action Is Favorable.

By passing a bill introduced by Senator Diers regarding qualifications for voters, the Nebraska state senate yesterday took the first step towards preventing university students from voting in Lincoln. The bill passed the senate and will now go to the house for action. In case the lower house is favorable to it, the bill will need only the governor's signature to become a law.

Senator Diers' resolution is not aimed directly at the university. It applies equally to all schools, colleges, and universities of the state, but in the main it will operate against the students at the state school, this being the largest in point of numbers and in frequency of voting away from their home towns.

According to the provisions of the bill which received the favor of the senators, university students must be dependent upon their own resources if they wish to vote at the place where the school is located. They must further be willing to declare that the university city is their permanent place of residence.

Terms of the Bill.

The bill provides that "if any person having a fixed habitation elsewhere shall in attendance at any school, college or university in the state at a place other than his fixed habitation as a student or otherwise, he shall be considered and held as a resident of his fixed place of habitation and not a resident at the seat of the school, college or university."

This provision carries out the theory hitherto advanced by election officers but not before embodied in a statute that university students can vote only when they have no other home. According to one statement made during a recent election when university men tried to vote in Lincoln, the student is not considered as having a permanent residence in Lincoln unless he has no other place to go in case of sickness. If the student could not go to a "home" when sick, in the opinion of this election officer, he was entitled to vote in Lincoln as his residence. It seems likely that the bill of Senator Diers will pass the house and Governor Shallenberger will probably sign it. There are other provisions regarding the right to vote in addition to that touching upon university students. It defines the term "residence" as applied to others than students and fixes it so that a man must vote where his family is residing.

Financial Measures.

The mill tax appropriation which passed the house Tuesday will make it possible for the university to have its funds on hand earlier than has been the custom in the past, if it is approved by the senate and governor. The bill provides that 95 per cent of the funds expected to be derived from the grand assessment roll of the state for university use shall be conserved.
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