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FIGURES SHOW GROWTH

UNIVERSITY HAS HAD STEADY DEVELOPMENT SINCE FOUNDED

MANY FROM WITHOUT THE STATE

STUDENTS COME FROM ALL PARTS OF THE COUNTRY.

Philippine Islands Represented by Six Students With Many From Missouri, Illinois and Other States.

Figures have recently been given out by the registrar that cast an interesting light upon the growth of the University of Nebraska. Commencing with 1871 the year in which classes were first held at the university, the figures give the complete enrollment for every fifth year. The figures as given by the registrar are as follows:

Year.	Total.	Men.	Women.
1871-72	130	79	51
1874-75	132	90	42
1879-80	259	162	97
1884-85	373	220	153
1889-90	474	262	212
1894-95	1,550	851	699
1899-00	2,209	1,231	978
1904-05	2,728	1,509	1,219

Approximately—
1908-09 3,450 1,940 1,510

The figures here given show the total enrollment which includes the university campus proper, the school of music, the school of agriculture, and the junior and senior medics at Omaha, together with the summer session. The figures for the present year are only approximate, but the approximation is based upon those of the preceding years, and may be considered a fair estimate.

Makes Rapid Growth.

That this school has made rapid growth since it was founded will be seen by a glance at the table. From 130 students in its opening year to 3,450 at the present time, is an increase of 3,450 in 38 years, or an average increase of nearly 39 students per year. With this increase one can easily see why the buildings on the campus have to be enlarged and new ones built every year.

Another interesting fact to be gleaned from the table is the preponderance of men over women. There are about four men to every three women at the present time. This ratio can be shown to hold for each year since the foundation of the school, by consulting the registration reports for each year. The fact that the men outnumbered the women four to three should not be construed to mean that women are any less desirous of receiving an education than men, but it may be attributed to the fact that in this university three of the schools, medicine, law and engineering, take up work into which few, if any, women enter. This limits the field for the co-eds almost exclusively to the colleges of literature, science and the arts, in which they outnumber the men.

From Other States.

Last year there were 3,017 students at the university who came from within the state and 220 from other states and countries. Figuring on the basis of former years there are approximately at Nebraska at the present time 3,200 students from within the state and 250 from without, of which no small percentage are foreigners.

Of the students from without the state, the states contributing most are Iowa 72, Kansas 26, South Dakota 23, Missouri 18, Illinois 10, Wyoming 10,

Colorado 9, and there are many others contributing from one to five. The Philippine Islands have six students in the university at the present time.

Of the counties which contributed to the 3017 students who come from within the state last year Lancaster is first, Douglas second, Saunders third, Gage fourth, Hamilton fifth, Cass sixth, Saline seventh, York eighth, Burt ninth, and Dodge and Clay tie for the tenth place. The reason for the lead of Lancaster county lies in the fact that the students from this county all live near the university, and as a consequence are placed at a greater advantage as far as convenience is concerned than those from counties situated in other parts of the state. Many students also give Lincoln as their residence.

FIRST VESPER CONVOCATION

Chancellor Avery Will Preside Over the Meeting.

On Friday at 5 p. m. the first of a series of vesper services will be given in Memorial hall. The services will consist largely of musical numbers, and will be given by the university chorus and string quartet, with the organ.

Great care has been taken in the preparation of this service and as it is the first of the new series those in charge are anxious to have a good attendance. Chancellor Avery has been asked to preside and has signified his willingness to do so.

Incidental solos and quartet music will be sung by the following members of the chorus: Miss Fifer, Miss Stanton, Mr. Kerney and Mr. Barnes. The string quartet selections will be given by Mr. E. J. Walt, Mr. E. Harrison, Mr. William Quick and Miss Lillian Eiche.

NEBRASKA MEN AT HARVARD.

Eleven Cornhuskers Attending Eastern Institution.

Eleven Nebraskans, four of them graduates of the University of Nebraska, are attending Harvard this year. All four who hail from the university are students in the law college of the Cambridge school. These are L. L. Clark, 1905; Ross King, 1908; T. H. Matters, 1908; and C. A. Sawyer, 1906. Three of the eleven men are from Omaha, two from Lincoln and the rest are scattered over the state. Harvard's total enrollment this year, exclusive of summer session, is 3,918 or 94 less than one year ago.

The complete enrollment from Nebraska follows:

Undergraduate—Risley Gardiner Haines, 1909, Omaha; George Nelson Lyon, 1909, Nelson; William Francis Williams, 1912, Omaha.

Law School—John Levi Clark (A. B., University of Nebraska), 1905, third year, Lincoln; Charles Abbott Sawyer (A. B., University of Nebraska, 1906), third year, Lincoln; Edward Raymond Burke (A. B., Beloit college, 1906), first year, Chadron; William Ross King (A. B., University of Nebraska, 1908), first year, Osceola; Thomas Harold Matters (A. B., University of Nebraska, 1908), first year, Omaha.

Medical School—Carl Arthur Hedblom (A. M., Colorado College, 1908), second year, Aurora; Earle Edwin Farnsworth (A. B., Cornell University, 1903), first year, Grand Island.

NOTICE TO SENIORS.

This morning at 11:30 a meeting of the senior class will be held for the election of remaining officers of the class. Reports of the prom and pin committees together with the commencement orator and inter-class debating committees will be heard by the class.

The best oyster stew in the city is that served at The Boston Lunch. Try it.

WHAT ARE PROSPECTS?

GOSSIP ON BASKET BALL CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES.

KANSAS APPEARS STRONGEST

Jayhawkers Have Fast Quintet and Their Showing This Season Makes Them the Favorites—Captain Walsh is Confident.

What are Nebraska's chances for winning the series of basket-ball games with the University of Kansas five for the championship of the Missouri valley basket-ball league?

This is a question which is just now holding the attention of the basket-ball enthusiasts at the state university and which many of them feel they can answer. To a majority of the students Nebraska's prospects for winning the games are very slim. This conclusion is based on the respective showings of the two fives during the past season in games with one another and with other teams. Kansas has far the better record of the two, and according to dope ought to win very handsly.

There are some men in the Cornhusker camp, though, who are not willing to concede that the Jayhawkers have any cinch on the coming series. Prominent among these is Captain Walsh of the Nebraska five. He believes his five can win two of the three contests and thereby become the holder of the coveted title.

Not So Rough Play.

The Cornhusker leader is encouraged to this belief by the showing of his team-mates in the two games with Minnesota last week. Although the cornhuskers did not win in these games, Captain Walsh thinks it was not due to the inferior play of the Nebraska men but to the rough tactics of their opponents. The local players were kept from showing up in good form by the holding and crowding of the gophers. Nebraska, according to Captain Walsh, undoubtedly played a more scientific game than the north-erners.

A Battle of Skill.

In the coming games with Kansas the two teams will be about evenly matched in weight so that the Cornhuskers ought not to suffer any great handicap from the roughing play of the Jayhawkers. The cornhuskers will be able to do as much pushing and holding as their adversaries and at the same time stand the wearing tear of such play.

This being the case the games with the Jayhawkers are bound to be frays in which skill will be the important factor. Well organized team play and accurate basket tossing will be necessary to win. Nebraska now has developed to a high degree in these departments of the game and should, unless they have a great reversal of form, play great ball against the fast quintet of Jayhawkers.

Captain Walsh in the two games with the gophers demonstrated that he is recovering his old-time form in throwing goals. In those games he threw three or four baskets that were shot from difficult angles with extreme accuracy. With the practice that he will have during the next week before the championship series he should get into shape to do some phenomenal playing.

Kansas Has Good Season.

The Jayhawkers Monday night closed a season that is regarded as the most brilliant one in the history of basket-ball at the Kansas institution. Nearly thirty games were played, and of this number only about

five were lost. The Kansas men played phenomenal ball practically all the time. Their team work and goal tossing were by far the best exhibited in the Missouri valley. On three occasions when Nebraska was met the men from the Sunflower state played superior ball and won by fair margins.

If the Jayhawkers continue to improve in all departments of their play they will be able to make the cornhuskers work hard for all points that are made on the Nebraska side. They know the Nebraska style of playing and will train to meet it with quick guards and fast team work. If Nebraska's play is built up entirely around Captain Walsh it is pretty safe to predict that the Jayhawkers will be able to keep the cornhusker score down to a few points.

Must Play Faster.

To students who have watched the cornhuskers in the home games this season it is apparent that the only hope for their team in the coming games is faster play and greater reliance on both of the forwards and the center to toss baskets. One man, whom the opposing players are watching every second, can not be expected to win a game. The other goal tossers on the team must take frequent shots at the baskets.

Faster thinking on the part of some of the members of the Nebraska team will also be necessary to successful play in the championship series. The work at center this season has been too slow. The man holding down that position has a sad tendency to hesitate several seconds after catching the ball before he releases it. As a consequence of this fault the Nebraska plays, on more than one occasion, have been broken up and shots at goal denied the cornhuskers. The man at the pivotal position is strong in other respects but he must learn to judge quickly what to do with the sphere once it has fallen into his hands.

THE BIDS ON ELECTRIC WIRING

Contracts Soon To Be Made for Engineering Building.

The contract for the electrical wiring of the engineering building will shortly be signed. Bids were received from three firms and the only remaining step in the process of awarding the work is the completion of the contract. The following bids were tendered: Western Electric company of Omaha, \$2,868; George Ballard of Lincoln, \$2,810; American Electric company of St Joseph, \$2,728.

Brick work on the building is almost complete. The roof framing is done for the rear of the building, and a part of the roof structure for the main section is ready to be hoisted into place.

SOPHOMORES DEFEAT SENIORS

First Game of New Basket Ball Series Played Last Night.

The first game of the new inter-class basket-ball series was played last evening between the seniors and the sophomores. The final score was 33 to 15 in favor of the sophomores. The seniors were clearly outplayed and, although a number of substitutes entered during the second half, they were unable to overcome the big lead of the second-year men.

A small crowd was present and those in charge are making every effort to get a better attendance for the remaining games of the schedule.

A meeting of the senior class will be held this morning at 11:30 in Memorial hall for the purpose of electing the remaining officers of the class, a vice-president, secretary and treasurer are yet to be elected. It is probable that President Hill will also announce some of his appointments at this meeting.

A SENSATIONAL STORY

NEWSPAPER ARTICLE MAY HURT CARNEGIE PENSION.

ALLEGED TOAST MAKES TROUBLE

COMMITTEE OF HOUSE HELD HEARING YESTERDAY.

Professors Howard and Caldwell Offer Strong Defense of Measure Before Members of Lower House of Legislature.

With the publication yesterday in one of Lincoln's afternoon newspapers of a decidedly sensational story, the chances of the passage of the Carnegie pension bill by the lower house of the state legislature is said to be considerably lessened. The bill is to come up on the floor of the house this afternoon and its supporters claim that prior to the publication of the story in question they had enough votes to carry it through. Now their plans are entirely upset and the result this afternoon is wholly in doubt.

The story as published yesterday afternoon purported to give the substance of a toast given by a "prominent university professor" at an informal supper of several university men held Sunday evening. According to the report the professor offered a toast to William Jennings Bryan far from complimentary to that gentleman, he having incurred the displeasure of the speaker by his opposition to the Carnegie pension bill now before the legislature.

Will Hurt the Bill.

Supporters of the bill are quick to point out that the readers of the newspaper article will not stop to weigh the actual conditions, but are likely to jump at the hasty conclusion that such is the sentiment of the entire faculty. This is expected to be true even in the case of the members of the legislature and the passage of the bill is now greatly questioned.

A faculty member who is closely connected with the effort which has been carried on in support of the bill is authority for the statement that the measure had enough votes marshalled behind it in the lower house to have passed when brought up this afternoon. That these calculations are all upset by the publication of the article reflecting upon the good judgment and even the character of some members of the university faculty is readily admitted. The legislators may take affront to such an extent as to defeat the bill.

Hearing Yesterday.

At the meeting yesterday afternoon of the committee of the house which is in charge of the bill, Professors Howard and Caldwell appeared in its support against Mr. Bryan. All three gentlemen were present in person and Mr. Bryan interposed his arguments against the expediency of the bill. He asked to have it killed in the committee without report to the house. The university men and others interested pressed the democratic leader to allow the bill to come before the house. They used Mr. Bryan's own argument of "Let the people rule," in favor of putting the measure to a general vote of the house rather than killing it by autocratic means in the committee. Although the committee itself was averse to the pension fund, it finally agreed to report the bill without recommendation or disapproval. This would leave it open for free discussion by the house members.