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HAS DONE MUCH GOOD

INTER-FRATERNITY COUNCIL NOT
A USELESS BODY.

STANDARD OF MEN IMPROVED

BETTER CLASS OF INITIATES
INTO GREEK SOCIETIES.

Percentage of Delinquency Shows a
Great Decrease Since Time When
Council Took Hold Two Years
Ago and Adopted Rules.

Registrar Harrison, acting in his capacity as chairman of the revision committee of the Inter-fraternity council, has just issued to the eleven fraternities of the university a letter calling for suggestions as to rushing rules and briefly stating what the council has accomplished since its organization three years ago.

The call for suggestions as to new rules comes about as a result of the action taken by the council some time ago looking towards the general re-drafting and revision of the rules governing the pledging and initiation of new men into the Nebraska Greek letter societies. A committee was then appointed to take up the rules matter and to draft entirely new regulations for the conduct of the rushing next fall and for subsequent years. The general idea of the council was that several rather radical changes could be made with excellent advantage and the committee was instructed to consult with each of the fraternities in an endeavor to get a system as nearly suited to the desires of all as possible.

Has Improved Standard.

Along with the request for suggestions, Registrar Harrison has reviewed the work of the council in a short letter. He states that the personnel of the men taken into the Nebraska fraternities has been markedly improved under the influence of the council. At the time the council was formed there was considerable anti-fraternity sentiment and the fraternities were said to be in danger of radical restrictive measures if they did not mend their ways. The societies have so improved in character in the past three years that there are now comparatively few familiar with their workings who do not realize the fact that conditions cannot be said to be injurious to the Nebraska student body. The character of the initiates, under the regulations of the inter-fraternity council, has been considerably bettered.

In the matter of scholarship the improvement is noticeably directly in the standing of the fraternity men then and now. Instead of a delinquency list amounting to 40 or 50 per cent of their active enrollment, the Nebraska fraternities now have only about 13 per cent of their members on the delinquency roll, this percentage ranking very favorably with that of the rest of the school.

Founded by Regents.

The inter-fraternity council was founded by the board of regents by an act passed December 15, 1905. This was in response to the demand for better regulation of fraternities and was a measure willingly acceded to by the Greeks themselves. The resolutions defining the powers of the council are as follows:

"The Inter-fraternity Council is hereby given the necessary full power by the university authorities, in its dealings with fraternity affairs, to correct and to discipline and in persistent and extreme cases to impose punishment, subject only to the approval of the chancellor and board of regents."

The council is composed of one rep-

"EVENTS OF THE WEEK—AS SEEN BY THE CARTOONIST"



representative from the active membership of every academic fraternity and one from the alumni of each organization. One additional member is taken from the faculty. The active members are elected every year and the alumni members every three years.

TO GIVE "MONSEUR BEAUCAIRE"

Guy Montgomery and Frances Gould in Leading Parts.

The Dramatic club are putting forth every effort to get another play, "Monseur Beaucaire," into shape for production soon. The play is the one in which Richard Mansfield starred and is one of his greatest plays. It has a cast of nineteen characters, of which Guy Montgomery will take the leading role and Miss Frances Gould that of "Lady Mary." Miss Gould and Mr. Montgomery are considered two of the most talented members in the club.

At the regular meeting of the club Thursday evening in the club rooms a very neat production, "The Obstinate Family," was put on. The cast were coached by Miss Tulley and were as follows: Miss Eleanor Barbour, Miss Lucile Harril, Miss Killian, Mr. Russell, Mr. Adrain and Mr. Morehouse.

Tryouts have been held recently by the club and the following new members taken in: Miss Louise Stegner, Mr. Glen Mason, Mr. Alton, Mr. Coy, Mr. Yale Holland and Mr. Nye Morehouse.

PROGRAM HAS BEEN ANNOUNCED

Y. W. C. A. Announces its Noon Meetings for Next Week.

The Y. W. C. A. has announced the program for the noon meetings of that organization for the next week. The program is as follows:

- Monday—Each meeting, Mabel M. Snyder.
- Tuesday—John 14:9, Olive Mann.
- Wednesday—Praise service.
- Thursday—The Man Christ Jesus, Miss Vibbard.
- Friday—Personal experience as a foreign missionary, Miss Stella Longridge.

PLAY AT YORK TODAY

NEBRASKA BOOKED FOR GAME WITH BUSINESS COLLEGE.

TRACK WORK TO START SOON

Cornhusker Team May Be Sent to Kansas City for Indoor Contest in Convention Hall on April 15.

The cornhusker baseball players are scheduled for a clash with the York business college team in that city this afternoon. If the weather is unfavorable, however, Coach Fox will not make the trip with his pupils.

The York aggregation is reputed to have an extremely fast bunch of players and the cornhuskers are likely to be pushed to the limit in order to win. The chances are good that they will not be able to do any more than hold their own.

Several men who did not get into the game with Wesleyan on Thursday are likely to be given a chance to show their prowess today. Coach Fox will probably allow Prouty and Ward to occupy a slab. In the outfield one or two new men may be given a try-out.

Track Training Next.

It has been announced that spring track training will be started early next week. Wednesday is the day that has been set for the inauguration of the display.

Before the regular outdoor season is opened the cornhuskers will send a team to Kansas City to take part in the annual indoor athletic contest to be held in Convention hall in that city under the direction of the Kansas City athletic club on April 2. It has not been decided as yet how many men will represent Nebraska, but the number is not likely to exceed eight.

Baked beans, baked on the premises and served hot with delicious brown bread, 10c, at The Boston Lunch.

MAKES PLEA FOR H. R. NO. 481

Historical Society Requests Appropriation, and Tells Why.

In a brief document laid before the members of the state legislature yesterday the Nebraska State Historical Society relates the reasons why it needs a large appropriation from that body. The argument urges the passage of H. R. No. 481, and deals largely with the problem of moving the society's material from the present quarters in the basement of the Library.

Two years ago the legislature appropriated \$25,000 for the basement story of a historical building on condition that the city of Lincoln donate a site. In 1908 the city of Lincoln purchased the half block at Sixteenth and H for \$37,000 and deeded it to the State Historical society.

It is the intention of the Historical Society to build a first-class fire-proof building, in which to preserve collections which cannot be replaced. Progress will be made on such a building as fast as the legislature things advisable. In no event will a cheap or destructible structure be erected.

Contract is now let for the excavation and brick work of the basement. It will require about \$150,000 to construct the wing now under way. When finished it will take care of the Historical Society library and collections, including the legislative reference department, and will accommodate some of the overflow from the crowded state house. There will still remain two-thirds of the half block donated by the city of Lincoln for such future use as the state shall desire.

FRESHMEN COMMITTEE IS NAMED

President Thomas of First Year Class Appoints.

President Thomas of the freshman class yesterday announced committee appointments as follows:

- Class Hop—James Lomax, chairman; J. V. Taylor, master of ceremonies; Eula Bates, Mildred Bevins, Ruth Hinager, Lucy Hewitt, G. K. Leonard and H. C. Stanley.
- Constitution—Van Dusen, chairman; Nat Nell, Clarence Clark, Earnest Clark.

ANNUAL EXHIBITION

GYMNASTIC CONTEST WAS GIVEN IN THE ARMORY.

DANCE THE EIGHT-HAND REEL

MITCHELL WINS CHAMPIONSHIP ON PARALLEL BARS.

Freshmen Walked Away From Juniors in Everything But One-sided Relay Race and Win Inter-class Championship.

The fifth annual gymnastic exhibition was held at the university armory last night and was enjoyed by a good sized audience. The exhibition itself was pulled off in thoroughly first-class style, every event exhibiting considerable training and skill.

The first event of the evening was the fancy wand drill by the first year gymnasium class, consisting of between sixty and seventy men. This was followed by the Irish eight hand reel which was put on by women from the Normal Training course in costume. This dance was given to appropriate Irish music, and resembled to a certain extent the Virginia reel and quadrille in vogue here a generation ago. The Scottish sword dance was given by Miss Hattie Rollings, she being dressed in the plaid and tartan of a Scotch lassie, and exhibited a fine quality and nicety of dancing.

The boxing proved to be one of the most amusing events of the evening, some of the bouts being characterized by good, swift sparring and some heavy hitting. There were six entries for the championship on the parallel bars and the contest for second place was close. D. Mitchell won first honors by a score of 28 4-10; Trump, second, with 24 5-10; Tabisco third, with 22; Snider fourth, with 21 2-10; Hammond fifth, with 20 7-10, and C. Mitchell sixth, with 19 9-10.

The men's first year gymnasium put on a lively and good exhibition of class apparatus work with the long horse, elephant, side horse, high horizontal bar, parallel bars, low horizontal bar and buck and side horse going at the same time. The second-year class in fencing under the direction of Dr. Clapp put on an exhibition of class and fancy fencing, closing with a number of short bouts.

The fancy wand drill put on by the girls of the second year class, was good, the drill work being handled in perfect unison. Some especially good stunts were put on by the second year gymnasium class in advanced apparatus work which was followed by a relay race between teams of the first, second and third divisions of the first year gymnasium class, the first division winning first by only a few lengths. The second and third divisions won second and third respectively.

The exhibition of fancy, heavy gymnastics on the horizontal bar was one of the best events of the evening, some of the work being equal to that seen on the vaudeville stage. D. C. Mitchell, the captain of the gymnastic team, distinguished himself in this work and, immediately following, put on some very pretty "stunts" in fancy club swinging. The events were closed by the championship inter-class relay race between the freshman and junior teams. For the first few days the runners broke even, but the race closed with the freshmen nearly a full lap ahead.

The university band furnished music throughout the evening. The judges in the various contests were Dr. Coates, M. Pinneo and Mr. Hewitt.