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**PROSPECTS FOR BASEBALL.**

The prospects for a Cornhusker baseball team for the season of 1912 begin to loom large on the horizon, and it seems at this time as if the Scarlet and Cream might once more put a team on Missouri Valley diamonds.

For the two years past Nebraska has not been represented in this branch of college sports, as a result of the quite proper refusal of the athletic board to certify all the men on the team under the present professional rule.

The rule provides that no player has ever played with professional for money, with certain ex-

material from which to choose the nucleus of a good team. Owen Frank was a varsity pitcher three years ago, and Ernie has a reputation as a fence-breaking batter, gained in the inter-frat games. Racey is a fast clever outfielder and a hard hitter. Potter is a pitcher. Lofgren a third baseman, and Metcalfe a short stop, so that around these men a strong team could easily be built.

Coach E. O. Stiehm is known to be a devotee of the national game, and in case it is at all possible, by change, arbitration or otherwise, he will probably try to see that a good bunch of ball tossers begins work in the cage shortly after the close of the holiday season.

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ceptions and restrictions, is eligible for collegiate teams, and information on the previous history of good college ball players is so uncertain and hard to get at that the Nebraska board refused two years ago to certify men without knowing what it was about.

Up to the present the other schools in the valley particularly Kansas and Ames have continued to put out teams partly professional and partly amateur in the strict sense of the rule, with due certification as to amateur standing, but it is thought on the campus that the rest are about ready now to follow Nebraska, and that the rule may be altered or done away with entirely.

"Ole" Metcalfe, who was elected captain for the team which never played, is still in school, and is anxious to get at the rest of the valley. Owen and Ernest Frank, Herbert Potter, Racey, and Lofgren of the football team, are all good baseball men, and would make strong

**BACK TO LOCOMOTION.**

Even the rigors of the winter weather has no apparent effect upon the bicycle-riding proteges of our University. At almost any time of day the passer-by may observe twenty or thirty of these prosaic vehicles resting along the fence or leaning their "tired" bodies against the buildings.

Strange as it may seem, most of these curiosities are the property of certain faculty members. Several of the most prominent members are slaves to the "bike" habit, and are so far under its influence that they cling to it despite the fury of the elements.

Professor Engburg daily pedals his weary way to and from the office of the "vacuum committee;" Doctor Clapp greatly facilitates his search for professional athletes by a constant use of his trusty cycle, and even Dean Davis has been detected indulging in the exhilarating sport.

We are inclined to believe that, were bicycling still a fad with the feminine sex, Doctor Maxey would purchase a wheel.

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