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This is the last issue of The Daily Nebraskan for this year. Since January first, the paper has made an unprecedented record in its achievements. It has left the ranks of the mediocre publications that are so common and has become the best University paper in the country.

It has been fair, treating all items of news with no semblance of favoritism or prejudice. It has changed its form,—it is larger, with more space for the proper expression of individuality, the thing that distinguishes any newspaper. It has attempted to be a newspaper for its readers.

The Daily Nebraskan has been helping to make history for the University community. The mid-winter and spring will hold many things for us all, and The Daily Nebraskan will continue to be the best University daily in the country.

Just a reminder. It will be difficult, if not impossible, after Christmas vacation, to secure tickets for the lecture by Sir Rabindranath Tagore, the world's famous teacher, poet and philosopher, at the Oliver theatre, January 8th.

PUT UP GREAT FIGHT

McInnis Failed to Land in .300 Batting Column.

Crafty Little First Baseman of Shipwrecked Athletics Made Hard Fight for Hitting Honors—Efforts Unnoticed.

One of the hardest batting fights ever made by a player went unrewarded and practically unnoticed last season. It was as hard a struggle as Ty Cobb fought to overcome Tris Speaker's batting lead, but, like Tyrus, the athlete under discussion failed. Stuffy McInnis, the crafty little first baseman of the shipwrecked athletics, and one of the leading batsmen in the game, is the man who made it. McInnis, who had batted over .300 ever since Connie Mack plucked him from a Gloucester high school team, had one of those strange batting slumps last season which at various times seize famous batters.

McInnis simply could not get a ball safe. He seemed to hit the ball as hard as ever, but always some fielder would make a phenomenal stop. When-



Stuffy McInnis.

ever he drove one of those sharp liners to left, it would go on a line to the left fielder, and he could never get a ground ball past the third baseman or shortstop. McInnis is a left-field hitter, but despite the fact that all teams know where he hits, he clouted the ball over .300 for six consecutive years. In the spring and early summer the shortstops and third basemen seemed to be playing just right for him.

In mid-July, with the season half over, McInnis was hitting under .200. He was desperate, and Mack let him go home for a rest. When he came back the batting eye came back with him, and in the last half of the season McInnis out-hit every player in either league but Speaker. With less than three months to go, McInnis tried valiantly to overcome that 100-point deficit and keep his .300 batting average string intact. However, when the season closed, Stuffy was still 15 points shy of his goal, but in less than three months he lifted his average from .199 to the respectable mark of .285.

Prior to July 15 McInnis made 40 hits in 231 times at bat for an average of .199. From July 15 on he made 100 hits in 281 times at bat for an average of .356.

Stuffy is one of the youngest veterans of the game. Despite the fact that he was only twenty-five years old last fall, he already has served eight full years with Mack.

GARDNER'S HOME RUNS OF MUCH SIGNIFICANCE

Larry Gardner, third baseman of the champion Red Sox, got only three hits in the five games it required for Carrigan's men to show their prowess against Robinson's team, but the trio of safeties recalled the timely hitting of Third Baseman Frank Baker as a member of the Athletics. Two of Gardner's hits were home runs, made on consecutive days. The first helped to bring about the retirement of Jack Coombs in the only game the Dodgers won, while the second beat Marquard.

Revenue From Racing.

The Australian government derived revenue amounting to \$395,000 for eight months of the present year from racing clubs and bookmakers.

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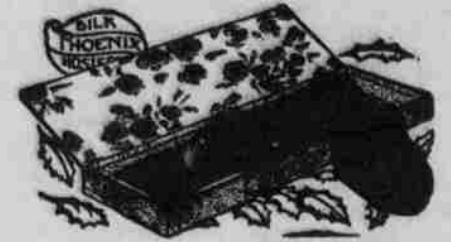
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Sophomore Debaters

All interested in trying out for the sophomore debating team to represent the class in the interclass debates, meet in U. 112, this morning at 11:30 o'clock. Frank Barnett, chairman.

Freshman Law Hop

Financial statement of the freshman law hop which was held at the Rose-wilde party house, December 9, 1916, is as follows: Total receipts, \$112.50. Total expenditures, music, \$49; refreshments, \$24; printing, \$1.50; cigars, \$8; doorkeeper, \$1.50; rental hall, \$25; decorations, \$6; total, \$115.00. Net loss, \$2.50. Assessment made to cover deficit. L. W. Trester, chairman. T. A. Williams, agent student activities.

UNI. CALENDAR

December 19
 Christmas recess begins, 6 p. m.
 January 3
 Christmas recess ends, 8 a. m.

BRIEF BITS OF NEWS

Prof. H. W. Caldwell, head of the department of American history, gave a lecture on "The Importance and Character of the Public Schools," at the meeting of the Douglas County Teachers' association in Omaha, Saturday afternoon, December 16.

Estella McKelvy, a graduate of the University of Minnesota, and a graduate student here this year, has been elected to a position in Malad City, Ida.

Supt. J. A. Woodward, '09, of Seward, has been appointed to a position in the state superintendent's office.

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