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THE MEANING OF THE TOURNAMENT

The University is witnessing the greatest basketball tournament in the world, the greatest athletic assemblage of its kind in the United States. One hundred twenty schools are here to compete for the championship in three different divisions.

The trophy cup for which the teams are fighting is one of the least of the things for which the tournament stands. If it were all-important, then the other teams would get but little benefit from the play.

The basketball tourney stands for clean and honest striving to excel for good sportsmanship and right living, for friendly rivalry. It represents the invitation of the University to the young men of the state. Because of these things it has a deep significance.

Because of these things, the tournament is great and good. Right habits and clean living are bound to tell in an exhibition of this sort. The tournament is an object lesson to young men to take care of their bodies. Good health is one of the best foundations for a good and successful life.

Few better tests of the real manhood of a person can be found than whether he can go into a keen competition and emerge, either winner or loser, as the friend of his opponent. Inasmuch as the tourney teaches good sportsmanship, good winning and graceful losing, it is doing a fine thing.

The University extends a sincere wish that the high school students who are in Lincoln this week may come here for four years. It will be good for the University and will be good for them. They should not forget that the University makes the tournament possible because it wants to get acquainted with the people of the state.

PLANNING FOR IVY DAY

The announcement of the senior class appointments, with the important committees for Ivy Day, is a reminder that this greatest of all University holidays is but two months away.

Ivy Day, in many respects, is the one beautiful Nebraska University tradition that must be kept alive and fostered. The planting of the ivy, the senior class oration and poem, the crowning of the May queen and the May Pole dance, the tapping of the Innocents and Black Masques and the festivities in connection, make the day one of the most enjoyable the University students can have.

The committees will have a proper sense of their responsibility and will make this Ivy Day, in the year of Nebraska's great statehood celebration, a worthy University festival.

FORUM

The Junior Play

To the Editor of The Daily Nebraskan: Remembering the struggles of of the junior class last year, raising the guaranty for the class play, in putting on a successful ticket sale, and afterwards in trying to decide whether or not the manager should be given compensation, it was with a feeling of relief that I read that the junior class of this year had decided to do the sensible thing, and put on the class play at the Temple theatre.

The class need feel no disgrace at giving the play in a playhouse built for just such a thing. It would, on the other hand, be open to shame if it had decided that only a down town theatre was worthy of a University performance. What sadder comment upon the spirit of a class could be made, than to say that it spurns its own theatre for the added glamour of putting on a play where real actors and actresses have held forth, and for no other reason?

Miss Alice Howell has been so successful with her plays at the Temple theatre this year, that one cannot doubt that she will have an equal success in putting on the junior play at that place. I am one who shall look forward to seeing "Green Stockings," with all the more zest because it will be the first junior class play that will be from every point of view, truly a junior class and a University of Nebraska production.

Were it not that I would be accused of the serious crime of "lese majeste" all kinds of fallings in class spirit, I would suggest that the senior class follow this very noble example of the juniors and put on their play, too, at the Temple theatre. This, I know, will not be done. But it will not be long, let us hope, before University students will not only be content but will be proud to use the equipment offered them by the University itself

for their class affairs, instead of going to the business district of Lincoln.

A. SENIOR.

UNIVERSITY NOTICES

Commercial Club

The regular weekly meeting of the University Commercial club yesterday was postponed on account of the basketball tournament.

Palladian Literary Society

Palladian Literary society will hold an open meeting this evening in Palladian hall, Temple. Miss Ethel Dunn, chataqua entertainer, will give a program. Visitors welcome.

Tegner Society

Tegner Society will hold its regular meeting Saturday evening in Palladian Hall, at 8:15.

Student Volunteers

Mrs. E. A. Rayner, of University Place, will speak to the Student Volunteers, at 2 o'clock Sunday, March 11, Y. W. C. A. room, Temple. Mrs. Rayner will speak of her experiences as a missionary in the Philippine Islands. This meeting is open to all students.

Football Captain Must Fade Away

The day of the field football captain for the University of Oregon teams is over, if Coach Hugo Bezdek is to have his way. According to the czar of the Oregon gridiron a football star elected to the position of captain does not amount to much after he is elected. The new plan Coach Bezdek has in mind is to make the election of a captain purely honorary. The field generalship for each game would be wholly in the hands of some man of the team appointed at the eleventh hour by the coach. This man's duties as a field general would cease with the game.—Ex.

THE DAYS GONE BY

Eight Years Ago Today

William Fox, captain of the Lincoln Western League baseball team, arrived to take charge of the Cornhusker varsity squad.

Five Years Ago Today

The University cafeteria was formally opened with accommodations for seventy persons.

Omaha high school won the inter-scholastic basketball tourney, with South Omaha, University Place and Beatrice finishing next in order.

Four Years Ago Today

Nebraska clinched the Missouri Valley basketball championship by winning the second game of the post-season series with Kansas by a score of 18 to 16.

The third annual basketball tournament of state high schools opened with the dope favoring University Place, Omaha, Auburn, Fremont, Norfolk, Fairbury or Central City.

Two Years Ago Today

The first round of the fifth annual high school basketball tournament was played off with Friend, Elmwood, Shelton, Seward, Arlington, Hampton, Osceola, West Point, Bethany, Hartington and Hebron carrying off the honors.

One Year Ago Today

The high school basketball championship race was drawing to a close, with Omaha, Beatrice, Lincoln and Crete scheduled to fight it out for the first division honors.

The Husker wrestling team was preparing to grapple with the Iowa mat artists.

Captin Hugg, Rutherford and James Gardiner were placed on the Missouri Valley honor roll of the Daily Nebraskan.

BRIEF BITS OF NEWS

Last of Combined Courses.—The last of twenty-two combined men's and women's short courses is being held this week at Osmond. Professors Warner and Wood will have charge of the men's work and Miss Rokahr and Miss Scott are the women's instructors. The short courses have been largely attended throughout.

To Address Ad Club.—D. F. Cole, of the department of political economy, will talk before the Lincoln Ad club at its monthly dinner and business meeting in the Lincoln hotel Monday evening, March 12.

Spoke to Phi Alpha Delta.—J. S. Baehr, clerk of the district court, talked to the members of the Phi Alpha Delta law fraternity Wednesday night on "Legal Papers and How to Get Your Case Into the Courts."

Will Coach Plays.—Lillian Wirt, Florence Maryott and Ethel Hartley left yesterday for various towns in the state to coach high school students for the state dramatic contest soon to be held. Miss Wirt went to Madison, Miss Maryott to Coleridge and Miss Hartley to Battle Creek.

Call for Teachers.—The teachers' bureau has recently had many calls for manual-training and science teachers, and have not enough teachers to supply this demand. Any desiring such positions are urged to apply as soon as possible. Very few men have applied for positions and as there are more will be needed to fill the positions for next year. They are asked to apply soon.

Many Join Reeve Corps

More than 1,000 students have joined the Harvard Reserve Officers' Training Corps, and are devoting nine hours of their time a week to drills and lectures under Captain Constant Cordier and other army officers detailed at Cambridge by the War Department. In addition to those enrolled in the training corps, nearly a hundred students have joined the aviation corps with airplane work in the summer, and according to a census made by the Harvard Crimson, a university daily paper, 257 members of the university not in the training corps are either in the Massachusetts National Guard or the State Naval

By the will of Mrs. Jessie Reed Barr, Washington University receives \$100,000 for the establishing of fellowships and scholarships for the benefit of women.—Ex.

Meal tickets \$5.50 for \$4.50. Newbert Cafe, 137 No. 12th St.

TODAY'S PROGRAM

THIRD ROUND—CLASS A

All Games in the Armory
 Lincoln vs. University Place, 9 a. m.
 Crete vs. Geneva, Armory 9:15.
 Harvard vs. Columbus, 10.
 Omaha vs. Fremont, 10:15.

SEMI-FINALS—CLASS B

All Games in the Auditorium
 Clearwater vs. West Point, 7:30 p. m.
 Swanton vs. Hardy, 7:45.

FOURTH ROUND—CLASS C

All Games in the Chapel
 Minden vs. DeWitt, 9 a. m.
 Lexington vs. Diller, 9:15.
 Wolbach vs. Salem, 10:15.
 Alexandria vs. Paullion, 10:15.

The semi finals of Class A and Class C will be played Friday evening at the auditorium. The semi-finals of Class B will be played Saturday morning at the auditorium.

College Papers Criticized

Some smug eastern newspaper has taken upon itself the task of berating the college newspapers of the country. The Reed College Quest reprints the editorial, but from its kindness of heart does not divulge the name of the newspaper that displayed the criticism.

"We realize that behind each of these typographically erring sheets there stands a group of extremely serious men, men who lower their grades and lose their meals and sleep over these very neglected issues," the critic says in way of comment, and then asks himself what are the results. Of course he is able to answer his own query or he would not have asked, and he goes on glibly: "A little practice which a week's work on a country daily would equal; a little fame among associates whose approbation is not worth 10 cents at best; a paper which a very few papers read and fewer appreciate, and besides this a vast deal of unpaid labor, of trying eye strain, of expense in time and money."

All of which is very clever, and quite untrue. College newspapers are on the whole better edited, better written and of a neater appearance than the small town daily, which boasts the same circulation. As for the poor grades, over-strained eyes, loss of sleep and neglected meals, these are only the result of an ill-balanced schedule and are the exception rather than the rule. Of course, his statement that a week's experience on a small daily would yield one as much as three "years" on a college publication is ridiculous on the face of it.

College newspapers are no longer an experiment. They are a real agent in the unifying of the conglomerate forces that make up the American University; they serve to instill college spirit in the incoming generations; they are an advertisement of the college they represent. They are here to stay, despite the protests of this self-satisfied eastern journal.—Ex.

\$1,800 Average Wage of Harvard Professors

Eighteen hundred dollars represents the average yearly salary for the entire teaching force of Harvard University for 1917; \$5,500 is the highest salary paid a professor. The total budget for the teaching corps for the current year is \$600,000, the largest in the history of the institution.—Ex.

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