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FRESHMEN TOSSERS TRIM VARSITY

Avenge Wednesday's Practice
Drubbing Last Evening

PROSPECTS LOOKING UP

Hopes for Championship Team Slim,
But a Fighting Gang Assured

The last basketball practice before the holidays was held yesterday, with the varsity showing little improvement, while the freshmen avenged themselves for Wednesday night's drubbing by coming back in great form and playing rings around the regulars. The workout was light, and only lasted about an hour.

After the men get back from the holiday vacation, practice will be started in earnest. The team will be initiated into the mysteries of the finer points of the game and will be given their first plays to work on. Rooters hope that this kind of instruction will remedy the faults that have been so glaring in scrimmages, and will get the team working together in a more scientific manner. Until then this year's team will be an almost unknown quantity. While it is not reasonable to expect a team that will win valley honors, it is still within the bounds of possibility that Coach Stewart can turn out a five that will show Nebraska is still on the basketball map.

The men used on the varsity yesterday afternoon were Jackson, Thomas and Gerhart, forwards, Hubka, center, and Adkins and Stromer, guards. Of these, Jackson is probably the only man who has a place on the regular team cinched. More men are expected out after the vacation, and there will doubtless be some hard fights for regular berths.

The freshmen still continue to put up real exhibitions of basketball, and make no little trouble for the varsity. The first year men will go to Crete on January 4 to play Doane Academy for the first game on their schedule. After this game, they will have a well-filled schedule with high schools and academies and with the freshman teams from other schools.

LAW DEBATERS MEET KANSAS CITY TONIGHT

Jeffrey, Schaberg and Young
Will Uphold Government Ownership of Merchant Marines

The debaters representing the University of Nebraska college of law will appear on the platform tonight in a debate against the Kansas City college of law, on the question "Shall the United States Government Own and Control During and After the War the Merchant Marines Now in Construction."

The Nebraska representatives left last night for the metropolis where the contest will be held. Everything has been favorable for the men so far, and although no word had been received concerning the judges of the debate late last night, the coach, Dr. Maxey, expressed opinion that the management would provide the best referees available.

The members of the team have been working hard ever since they were chosen to represent the college of law in the preliminaries held a week ago last Monday. They have been preparing their arguments under the direction of the coach, Dr. Edwin Maxey, and have been able to gain information through his aid that will furnish some strong competition for the Kansas City opponents.

The men that will defend Nebraska's side of the argument are Earl Jeffrey, '18, Elmore Schaberg, law '20, and J. G. Young, law '20. All have had previous experience on the platform. Jeffreys was a member of the junior team last year; Young was chosen a member of the varsity last season, and Schaberg won honors in a number of debates in which he represented Wesleyan University last year.

Kansas City has not allowed much concerning her team to escape from their camp, but the few reports reaching here go to indicate that a hard fight may be expected tonight. Dr. Maxey has primed the Nebraska de-

baters, however, with every conceivable argument and expresses confidence that they will be able to gain a decisive victory over the Missouri representatives in tonight's forensic battle.

Will Give Address

Dr. G. W. A. Luckey, dean of the graduate school of education, has been asked to address the western association of college teachers in education on "The Place of the History of Education in the Training of a Teacher," at the meeting in Omaha December 28 and 29.

Speaks on Carburation of Low-Grade Fuels

Mr. R. Clark of the Bennett Carburetor Company of Minneapolis, spoke before the general engineering society Tuesday evening on the subject of carburization of low grade fuels. The lecture dealt mainly with the carburization in four-cylinder vertical tractor machines. Mr. Clark, who is an expert on carburization, answered many questions concerning the carburators

FIFTEEN PLEDGES NAMED FOR KOSMET

Club for Promotion of Dramatic Art Announces New Members

For the first time since it was established the Kosmet Klub has elected more than two freshmen to membership, according to the list of pledges announced yesterday. This has been done, the president of the Klub has announced, because it is realized that in the next few years most of the burden of University activities will fall upon underclassmen.

Following is a list of the pledges: Charles L. Gillilan, '21, Hardy. Herman G. Schroeder, '21, Lincoln. Paul A. Dobson, '19, Ulysses. Elmer H. Schellenberg, '20, Johnson. Irving C. Chapin, '20, Lincoln. Raymond Jobs, '21, Tecumseh.

not give its annual musical comedy this winter, but an entertainment of some kind may be given in its place.

Special Course for Farmers

The school of agriculture has arranged to hold a special course for farmers from January 21 to February 18. It will be especially for the men and farm boys who are able to get away from the farm for only a few weeks at a time. Practically every department at the state farm will offer special courses which can be given to good advantage during the four weeks' period.

Hartman Writes of Former Nebraskans

A letter to The Nebraskan from L. C. "Jack" Hartman, ex-'19, now a member of the staff of the Alliance, Neb., Herald and formerly on the varsity basketball squad, contains some interesting news of former Nebraskans. "Harold Jake Schwab," writes Hartman, "has been employed at Bayard, near Alliance, in the lumber business. Jake couldn't stand the pressure and

BOARD MEETS ON CORNHUSKER TODAY

Will Give Consideration to Student Wishes for Yearbook

MAJORITY FAVOR ANNUAL

Interfraternity and Pan Hellenic Representatives Report Societies Want Reduced but Representative Book

A meeting of the student publication board has been called for noon today by Dean O. V. P. Stout, chairman, in response to the request made by the student members of the board Wednesday. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the character of the Cornhusker for 1917-18.

At a previous meeting of the board it was decided by the faculty members to have a "War Cornhusker" this year, instead of the usual yearbook. Such a book would contain no material from the campus and would in no way represent student life. As outlined the book has not met with the wishes of the students. Representatives of the Pan-Hellenic council yesterday decided in favor of "a real Cornhusker," somewhat of the nature of the annuals recently published, reduced and modified, and containing a special edition devoted to Nebraska men who are in the service.

The Interfraternity council also met yesterday morning and expressed itself strongly for a yearbook rather than the proposed make-shift. The representatives took the attitude that the book could easily be reduced in size and offered to cut down on the fraternity section. They were in favor of an honor roll as a feature of the annual.

All presidents of organizations are requested to be present at the meeting at noon, in U-207, in order that a fair discussion may be held to ascertain what kind of a yearbook the students want and will support.

Miss Florence Dunn, home economics, '16, has been chosen as the emergency home demonstration agent in Saunders county.

TRACK MEN TO HOLD FIRST MEETING TODAY

Will Discuss Season's Plans in
Coach's Office at 11
O'Clock

All prospective candidates for this year's track team are urged to be out to a meeting to be held today at 11 o'clock in Dr. Stewart's office. This call is meant for everyone, whether members of last year's squad, men with no experience, or freshman aspirants for track honors.

The meeting this morning will be very important, because plans for the season will be discussed, and arrangements will be made for practice hours. The team has few men from last year's squad, and it is hoped that there will be a large number of candidates out, ready to begin practice in earnest as soon as the holidays are over.

Patriotic League to Give War Dinner

Officers of the Faculty Patriotic league announce plans for a war dinner to be given for the faculty division of the league in the Temple Friday evening, January 4, at 6:15 o'clock. The dinner will be followed by a war time program and discussions of interest concerning national and local problems connected with the present struggle. The announcement is made by Prof. J. E. LeRossignol and Prof. F. W. Sanford, who are in charge of the dinner.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Chancellor and Mrs. Avery wish to express in this way to their friends all good wishes for the coming holiday season. More formal greetings and expressions of good-will will not be sent in war times.

Our Wish for You

For its readers The Daily Nebraskan wishes a happy, hopeful Christmas and a New Year of good cheer.

of tractor machines. Mr. Clark also explained the Bennett Carburetor Air Cleaner for tractor engines. He explained that this contrivance was an absolute necessity on machines used in the western part of the country.

A short business meeting followed the lecture. The action of the board of control in purchasing liberty bonds was approved by the society.

A large crowd of students and engineers in the city attended the meeting.

Anton H. Jensen, ex-'18, who enlisted in the Omaha ambulance corps last June, and who has been at Camp Taylor, Louisville, Ky., visited the University yesterday and bade goodbye to his friends. The expectation is that his company will be moved soon.

Nebraska Students Get Early Start On Journey Home for Christmas Holidays

As is always the case when the long-awaited Christmas recess approaches, students in large numbers have anticipated the official opening hour, and trains yesterday and early this morning carried many student passengers and many pieces of student luggage bound "home for the holidays."

Classes yesterday afternoon were remarkably sparse, indicating that the annual desertion had come. It is expected that still greater depletion in the student ranks will be noticeable today. This evening, however, at 6 o'clock, when recess really begins according to the University calendar, is when the stampede starts. Train officials on the main roads leading out of Lincoln have done some talking of sending special trains westward and northward, but it is expected that, because of the decrease in enrollment this winter, only additional cars will be added to the regular trains to accommodate the students.

The shortening of the recess from two weeks to one week has had some effect in hastening the departure of those who live far from Lincoln, for students are anxious to spend as many days as possible with the home folks.

A Chance for Vaccination

The announcement University authorities have made that the institution will not provide free medical examination after the holidays is calculated to encourage students to devote part of their recess to nursing

Galloway Van Decar, '21, York. Russel Peterson, '20, Aurora. George H. Harvey, '20, Logan, Ia. William I. Titken, '18, Lincoln. Dave Barrett, '20, Omaha. Don Pettis, '21, Lincoln. Lawrence Shaw, '19, Osceola. Burks Harley, '21, Lincoln. Lau Junge, '21, Lincoln.

The Klub has made a radical departure in its policy also in regard to the size of the Klub, and during the war it has been increased from fifteen to twenty.

Edson Shaw has been elected president of the Klub for the year in place of Norman B. Curtis, ex-'19, who was elected to the position last spring, but who is now in France. John C. Wright is the new vice-president; Roscoe B. Rhodes is secretary, and Walter Johnson, treasurer.

Because of the war the Klub will

a sore left arm. The smallpox epidemic, though under partial control, is by no means completely checked, and this provision, it is hoped, will have a salutary effect.

One feature of the 1918 recess which distinguishes it from previous ones is that a relatively large number of students will remain in Lincoln. Some plan to help with the Red Cross drive for the rest of this week, and next week if it is continued. Others will devote their time to making up back work, and not a few will secure employment to earn money for war relief.

While the action of the University senate in cutting the holiday vacation from two weeks to one has met with little grumbling among students, the fact that they are expected to be in Lincoln New Year's day has caused some hardships. Those especially who live far away regret the fact that they will be unable to spend the additional day it would give them at home, while others profess a religious aversion to going to college on a legal holiday of such importance. It is expected, however, that the first day of the year will find almost all of the Cornhuskers back ready for the hardest and the most exciting semester of their college life.

The staff of The Daily Nebraskan will spend the full vacation time, and today's issue will be the last for the year of 1917. The next paper will be published Tuesday morning, January 1.

last Wednesday came to Alliance and enlisted in the aviation corps. He says that some of his old Fort Snelling cronies would now have an opportunity to make him do the dirty work, inasmuch as he was a rookie and they full fledged officers. He also said that he had no illusions in regard to army life and expected to take quite a few hard knocks.

"Mike Selzer has been at Scottsbluff all fall. He enlisted in the aviation corps last summer and hasn't been called as yet.

"Jack Elliott and Mrs. Elliott, formerly Camille Leyda, are located at Minatare, a town about four miles from Alliance. Jack is learning the banking business in one of the local banks there.

"Bill Nelson is filling prescriptions in a drug store at Bayard.

"Ex-University Politician Perc Spencer is secretary of the commercial club at Lander, Wyo., also mixing a little in the real estate game and oil stock brokerage.

"Most of these men are yet well known at the University as all were quite active in college affairs. This country is fast losing its young men as over 140 fellows have enlisted from these two counties, Box Butte and Sherman."

University Professors Head Americanization Committee

An Americanization committee of which Prof. H. H. Wilson of the college of law was elected chairman and Prof. M. M. Fogg, of the department of rhetoric, was elected vice-chairman, which was recently appointed by the Lincoln Commercial club, met yesterday. The twenty-one members include ex-Governor C. H. Aldrich, ex-Senator E. J. Burkett, Chief Justice A. M. Morrissy, and Judges C. B. Letton, C. B. Rose, A. J. Cornish and S. H. Sedgwick of the supreme court, and ex-Congressman E. J. Hainer.

"The purpose of the Americanization committee," the club announces, "will be to report such methods as in its judgment will tend to bring into sympathetic and mutually helpful relationship the commonwealth and its residents of foreign origin, to stimulate the acquirement of the English language to develop their understanding of American government, institutions and ideals and generally to promote their assimilation and naturalization."