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EIGHTEEN MEN WILL RECEIVE SPORT LETTERS

Meet After Notification to Elect Captains for Next Season

SMAHA HEADS CAGESTERS

Branigan Is New Wrestling Team Pilot With Two Years On Squad

Eighteen men were notified that they will receive letters in the major sports, basketball or wrestling, Saturday morning. They met at once and elected captains for the following year. Clark Smaha was chosen basketball captain and George Branigan wrestling pilot.

Smaha has played on the Varsity squad for the past two years and has led in points for both years. He ranks fifth in the Valley in points this year with 115 to his credit.

Branigan has been on the Varsity wrestling team for the past two years. He won his matches in three dual meets this year, drew in one, and was thrown in two.

Basketball Letters

Letters awarded in basketball are as follows: Roy H. Anderson, '27, Bloomfield; Wilmer Beerke, '26, Omaha; John Brown, '28, Lincoln; Fred Ekstrom, '26, Omaha; Thomas M. Elliott, '28, West Point; Philip Gerelick, '28, Omaha; William V. Lawson, '28, Omaha; Frank E. Mielenz, '27, Stanton; Clark F. Smaha, '28, Ravenna; Leon A. Sprague, '28, York.

Wrestling letters were awarded to the following: Richard E. Blore, '26, Lincoln; George E. Braigan, '27, Dix; George F. Highley, '27, Edgemont, S. Dak.; John H. Kellogg, '28, Lincoln; Arthur J. Jones, '26, Bennett; Dale Skinner, '26, Broken Bow; Joseph E. Tuning, '26, Central City; Irvin M. Weber, '28, Norfolk.

ORCHESTRA APPEARS IN VESPER CONCERT

Directed by Carl Steckelberg; Will Play at Whittier Junior High Sunday

The University School of Music orchestra, under the direction of Mr. Carl Steckelberg, with Mr. Rex Elton Fair, flutist, will give a concert Sunday evening at the Whittier Junior High School Auditorium, twenty-second and Vine streets. This is the twenty-third program of a series of vesper concerts being given by the School of Music.

The following program will be given: Mendelssohn—Italian Symphony; Allegro Vivace; Andante con moto; Con moto moderato; Saltarello presto.

Donjon—The Nightingale. Beethoven—Minuet: Mr. Fair. Mascagni—Prelude, Siciliana Intermesso from "Cavalleria Rusticana." Mendelssohn—Fingal's Cave Overture.

FERGUSON MAKES TRIP STATEMENT

Urges Senior and Junior Students in Engineering To Attend Inspection Tour

Dean O. J. Ferguson, of the College of Engineering, has issued a statement regarding the engineering inspection trip to Chicago urging senior and junior engineering students to arrange to take this trip if they possibly can.

Following is the statement: "Senior and junior engineering students who are not listed for the Engineering Inspection Trip to Chicago this year are missing a strong program. It will be two years before the 'long trip' occurs again and present juniors will not have another opportunity to participate in one.

"By contrast with the 'short trip,' which will be scheduled next year, the additional expense of this year's trip will be well spent. Much greater variety and magnitude of engineering practices are observable. This is true in all lines, manufacturing, power, generation, and distribution, railway construction and operation, communication, lighting, structural work, sanitation, transportation by land and water; the problems presented by congestion of people in great centers of population; and a hundred of other elements that appear incidentally in a visit of this kind.

"Anyone eligible to take the trip this year should go, without fail, if he can possibly arrange to do so." Report at once to the committee if you wish to join the party."

New Wrestling Team Captain



GEORGE F. BRANIGAN

George F. Branigan, elected captain of the wrestling squad for next year, has been on the team for the past two years. This season he won in dual matches with the Kansas Aggies, Missouri, and Minnesota. He drew in his match at Ames, and lost in matches with Iowa State University and Kansas University.

MILITARY BAND GIVES CONCERT

R. O. T. C. Musicians Play Second Program of Year Today in Armory

LAST THIS SEMESTER

The R. O. T. C. band will play its second concert of the year this afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Armory. The public is invited to the program, composed of seven numbers. No admission will be charged.

Plans were first made to give this in the new Field House, but the building has been turned back to the contractor for completion, and is not in shape for the program. Plans are being worked out to hold a series of concerts next year in the new auditorium.

The program this afternoon will be the last one this year. The first was given on March 1, in a joint meeting with the Glee Club. The band, composed of more than sixty pieces, is under the direction of William T. Quick. The officers are: Raymond Lewis, Captain, Fairfield; J. Russell Salsbury, Lyons, First Lieut.; and James Davis, Gibbon, First Lieut.

The program: Overture "Pique Dame" F. V. Suppe. Valse "Eternelle Ivresse" Louis Ganne. Caprice "Garden of Love" Emil Ascher. Parade of the Wooden Soldiers. Leon Jessel. Silhouettes, a characteristic Suite Henry Hadley. American French Irish. Selection from the Opera "Mefistofele" A. Boito. The "Cornhusker."

St. Louis Symphony Will Give Recital

The St. Louis Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Rudolph Ganz, with Frederick Fischer, assistant conductor, and Miss Kathryn Brown, soloist, will appear in a concert at the Lincoln City Auditorium, Monday evening, March 22. The University School of Music has a few

Smith Engagement to Speak Here Postponed

On account of conflicts with mid-semester examinations, the three-day speaking engagement of Gerald Birney Smith, professor of the history of religion in the University of Chicago, has been postponed to April 13, 14, and 15, by the University Y. M. C. A. Dr. Smith will lecture on the general subject "Religion in Modern Life."

NEW BIG SISTER BOARD ELECTED

Retiring Members Announce Successors Saturday At Luncheon

ELSA KERKOW PRESIDENT

Announcement of the Big Sister Board for next year was made at a luncheon given by the retiring members at Ellen Smith Hall Saturday afternoon. The new Board consists of:

Senior Members—Elsa Kerkow, Ethel Saxton, Helen Aach, Wilhelmina Schellack, Blanche Stevens, Florence Brinton, Frances Boomer, Viola Forsell.

Junior Members—Ruth Barker, Ruth Clendenin, Marion Eimers, Mary Kinney.

Sophomore Members—Mary Field, Geraldine Heikis.

Program During Luncheon

The following program was given during the luncheon:

Vocal Solo Esther Garrett
Piano Solo Mary Kinney
Violin Solo Alice Sanderson
The Purpose of the Big Sister Board Wilhelmina Schellack
Summer and Fall Work..... Dorothy Thomas

Hopes for the Future..... Dorothy Carr

Initiation for new members of the retiring Board was held immediately after, with Dorothy Carr, retiring president, presiding. Elsa Kerkow was announced to be her successor, and Ethel Saxton as vice-president. The newly appointed Board held a business meeting and elected the following officers:

Secretary—Ruth Clendenin
Treasurer—Blanche Stevens
Historian—Wilhelmina Schellack
Member of the Big Sister Advisory Board are: Mrs. Brownell, Miss Anderson, Mrs. Amers, Mrs. Hinman, and Mrs. Virtue.

Advisory Board
Big Sisters for next year will be elected within the next few weeks and their initiation will be held early in May.

Retiring members of the Board are Dorothy Carr, Dorothy Thomas, Lois Jackman, Elsie Rice, Dorothy Olmstead, Nellie McReynolds, Eloise McMonies, Alice Sanderson.

LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST THIS WEEK

Block and Bridle Club Stages Annual Student Match at the Ag College

A students' livestock judging contest will be held at the College of Agriculture, March 27. It is sponsored by the Block and Bridle Club, an organization of men in the animal husbandry department, and will be managed by the seniors in the department. The contest is staged annually for the purpose of promoting interest in livestock judging and thereby bring out better material for the judging teams that represent Nebraska at sectional and national contests.

Prof. W. L. Blizzard, head of the animal husbandry department at the Oklahoma A. & M. College will judge the contest. The names of the winners in judging the various classes of livestock will be placed on plaques in the Block and Bridle Club room. A permanent record is kept of the winner of the contest and the winners in the different classes by means of the plaques.

Prospects look very good for a successful season although only two letter men, Schielneck and Newton, will not be back. A number of students who have been showing up well on the courts are Elliott, Sunderland, Hunt, Straka, Hattori, and Macassa.

The courts were opened in the middle of last week, and an unusual amount of interest has been taken in the sport. The courts have been crowded every day. The weather has been ideal.

Spring Here to Stay; Co-Eds Can Cast Off Fur Coats They Say

Spring has arrived with all the balmy weather that characterizes it and according to reports of the Weather Bureau, a sudden reversal to winter need not be feared. All fur coats and apparel designed to protect against winter's furies of snow may safely be put away, for the weather reports indicate that this year the first day of spring will not be followed by an inch and one-half of snow on March 22, as it was in 1923. The lowest temperature was 23 degrees on that day, but it warmed up considerably the next day, and reached 51 degrees.

The first day of spring, however, may be cloudy, with the possibility of showers, so those who prize their pre-Easter bonnets highly must not yet throw discretion to the breezes.

Little groups of students congregating in pleasant nooks of the campus while waiting for classes, is another evidence that spring has definitely arrived on our campus.

Huskies' New Cage Pilot Is Selected



CLARK SMAHA

Clark Smaha, newly elected basketball captain, has played on the Varsity squad for two seasons and led in points for both years. He scored 115 points this year, which put him in fifth place in the Valley. He is a member of Delta Upsilon fraternity.

TENNIS TEAM CHOSEN SOON

Candidates Asked to Report At Athletic Office First Of Week

FIVE MEETS ARE PLANNED

A call for candidates for the tennis team has been issued and all interested should report at the Athletic Office Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday. Candidates are requested to report as soon as possible that the eligibility reports can be made so that the work on the squad can start at an early date.

Gregg McBride, well known follower of the tennis game, state doubles champion with Don Elliott, University champion in 1921, and president of the Nebraska State Tennis Association, will have charge of the squad until the middle of April, when a tournament will be held to determine the team, which will be composed of eight men.

Plan Annual Dual Meet
Five dual meets have been scheduled and another will probably be lined up. The team will also be entered in the Missouri Valley tennis meet which will be held here May 21 and 22, at the same time as the Missouri Valley track meet.

Dual meets with Drake and Kansas have been scheduled to be played on the University courts. If a meet is played with Oklahoma, it will also take place here. Matches with schools away from Lincoln will be with Ames, Grinnell, and Kansas Aggies.

Prospects Good
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Students Don't Know Religion

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WEATHER FORECAST

Sunday: Cloudy, possibly showers.

Weather Conditions

High pressure and cooler weather over the lower Missouri and middle Mississippi valleys. There is a trough of low pressure and warmer weather over the entire Rocky Mountain region and light rain has resulted in southern California, Arizona, and eastern Colorado. Another trough of low pressure extends from Texas to the New England coast, resulting in rain from the middle and lower Mississippi valley, the Ohio valley, the Lake region and the north Atlantic states.

THOMAS A. BLAIR, Meteorologist.

REGENTS BACK COMPULSORY DRILL WITH A DECLARATION

Board Unanimously Endorses Required Military Training at Meeting Saturday Stating Why Proposed Legislation On the Matter Should Be Defeated

EVERY ISSUES STATEMENT; MORE RESOLUTIONS MADE

Chancellor Favors Much Discussed Question Saying a Change "Would Repudiate a Moral Obligation;" Campus Organizations Defend Present System

An emphatic declaration in favor of compulsory military training, passed unanimously by the Board of Regents, and accompanied by a statement of their position, and a statement by Chancellor Avery explaining the obligations of the University to make drill compulsory, were the outstanding developments in the compulsory drill situation during the week-end.

The Daughters of the American Revolution, in their state convention at Fairbury, went on record as being opposed to war but strongly in favor of the continuation of compulsory drill; the Nebraska Engineering Society, Beta Theta Pi fraternity, and Pershing Rifles passed resolutions favoring compulsory drill; and the Doane College faculty requested the University Regents to send them a speaker to present a case for compulsory drill next week after Thomas Q. Harrison had presented the case of the opposition there.

Concerning the agitation to make military training optional at the University of Nebraska, the Board of Regents has issued the following statement which it unanimously adopted at its meeting Saturday:

MILITARY TRAINING IN THE UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA

The Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska unanimously reaffirms its position announced a year ago, after an investigation of the course of military training and its results, as now conducted at the University, and unqualifiedly approves the same.

Inasmuch as the public press announces that a committee of 100 is organizing to secure the abolition of military training in the University of Nebraska as a required subject, and inasmuch as the proposed plan contemplates the enactment of a law through initiative to compel the Board of Regents to make military training an optional subject, the Regents of the University of Nebraska desire to explain to the voters of the state why they believe that their authority as constitutional officers to manage the affairs of the University should be sustained and why the proposed legislation should be defeated.

1. FEDERAL OBLIGATIONS
The University of Nebraska is one of the land grant institutions. These schools owe their origin to an act of the Federal Government signed by Abraham Lincoln in 1862 giving certain public lands to the several states for the maintenance of educational institutions "where the instruction, including military tactics, should promote the liberal and practical education of the industrial classes in the several pursuits and professions in life."

In the institution so endowed, military instruction has been a required subject. The moral obligation to retain it as such has been recognized in our own University from the beginning. It was unanimously so recognized by the Association of Land Grant Colleges in 1924 and reiterated in 1925. This interpretation was apparently recognized in the National Defense Act of 1916, which makes a distinction between those state institutions that are required to provide instruction in military tactics under the Land Grant Act, and other institutions. In a word, military training as a required subject has been accepted in all the land grant colleges without question. It has been assumed in legislation, written into contracts, universally recognized by the institutions, and never seriously questioned until the state legislature of Wisconsin in 1923 compelled the institution to make the subject elective. The Regents do not insist that this federal relation creates an enforceable legal obligation. They do insist, however, that there is a moral obligation that cannot be lightly set aside.

In addition to this, the University entered into a contract in 1916 with the federal government, in connection with the establishment of the R. O. T. C., to maintain a two-year course of compulsory military training for physically fit students, a contract which is still in force and which the Board has no desire and believes unwise to set aside or evade.

2. NATIONAL DEFENSE ACT

The Regents believe that the National Defense Act of 1916, and as amended in 1920, represented wise legislation. If supported in good faith by the people of the United States, it will render a large standing army unnecessary, will make it safe to depend largely upon an emergency army of citizens, and work for the cause of peace. The training of students to become reserve officers available in times of emergency is a salient part of the Defense Act. Those who took part in the

World War and who now constitute the Reserve Officers Corps are diminishing in number. In any future emergency, the reserve officer, university trained, will be the key to the nation's defense—will constitute the volunteer force to train a citizen army.

A proposal to make military drill voluntary, will, of course, be followed by efforts to induce the students not to elect it. The same group of agitators now urging the elective system will be the foremost in discouraging election on the part of individuals. In this they will have the sympathy and support of all foreign militarists who envy the greatness and prosperity of the United States, of all communists and anarchists who are opposed to orderly government, of all parlor bolsheviks, and of all Utopians who dream of the millennium. The government of the United States has a right to expect this cheerful service on the part of the University and of the state, based on the original Land Grant Act, and later legislation that has come. During the years of the University's existence, millions of dollars have come into the state treasury for its support, and now amounting to about \$250,000 a year. In addition, it is maintaining an admirable faculty of men to carry out the purpose of the National Defense Act. The instruction given in this department gratuitously by the Federal Government would cost the taxpayers of the state thousands of dollars to replace, if the R. O. T. C. unit should be withdrawn.

3. SOURCE OF THE OPPOSITION

There has never been in the history of the institution any general or spontaneous opposition to military instruction from the student body. Individual students, of course, would prefer not to drill. Many who have been compelled to drill against their wishes have later borne testimony that they considered it one of the best courses in the University. The discussion that arose over a year ago resulted from the visit of an Eastern propagandist to the University. Others, not connected with the institution, who have attempted to sow in the student body the seeds of discontent, have been advocating on the campus principles in which internationalism has been emphasized, as opposed to the traditional Americanism of the institution. These efforts have been apparently without success in the student body, but have influenced certain religious and welfare workers associated with the University. The attitude of the student body and the faculty in this matter is a source of gratification to the Board of Regents and it expresses to the students and the faculty its appreciation for their loyalty to the traditional policy of the school. The Board disapproves the attitude of certain religious and welfare workers assigned to the University, who do not seem to realize the gross impropriety of accepting the good will and hospitality of the institution and conducting from offices given them by the Regents a campaign against the traditional policies of the institution and against the authority of the governing board. The Regents respectfully suggest that all churches and societies assigning religious and welfare workers to the institution select only those who will cooperate with the University authorities in maintaining the policies of the school. At the same time the Regents acknowledge with appreciation the loyal attitude of a number of the

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