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INTRAMURAL ATHLETICS

The athletic department which made and published extensive plans for a system of intramural athletics that would enable every student to engage in some sport seems to have forgotten those plans. The Coliseum has provided the facilities needed for the establishment of such a comprehensive system, yet to date the promises made by certain men have not been fulfilled.

In the September issue of The Nebraska Alumnus an article appeared under the heading, "Plan Elaborate Intramural Athletic Program." This article contained a comprehensive plan "whereby every student will be given an opportunity for physical recreation." It contained an outline of the fall, winter, and spring program with a special sub-title informing the readers that the "Program Begins Now."

Undoubtedly the athletic department had good intentions and had every good reason to believe that the promises they made would be fulfilled. The plans if carried out would reach every student who had a live interest in any form of athletics; for that reason it is only right to call attention to the fact that the plan seems to have been discarded temporarily, if it has not been forgotten.

"Every conceivable form of athletic recreation will be available to the men in the University. Football, tennis, basketball, volleyball, handball, squash tennis, horse-shoe pitching, indoor baseball, bowling, indoor and outdoor track, wrestling, and outdoor baseball, all have been given a place in the program of athletics."

The preceding paragraph taken from the article in the Nebraska Alumnus gives in brief form the extensiveness of the plans which were formulated for intramural athletics. It is apparent that the men in charge had planned elaborately for utilizing this huge building we have called the "Coliseum". The part of the program dated for this fall cannot be carried out but it is hoped that the remainder of the plan will be realized.

Considering the benefits which would be derived from a system embodying friendly athletic competition among the men students, which would increase their enthusiasm for bodily vigor and health, and which would command a real interest in physical recreation, it is hoped the athletic department will initiate the steps necessary for its realization.

In the event that the plan is adopted in the near future the students ought to get behind it and help to make it a success. Other schools have it, why should not a school as promising as Nebraska embrace such a commendable system for the promotion of beneficial physical recreation? The students must be depended upon for a guarantee that intramural athletics will not be a failure if the athletic department fulfills their promises of September.

THE FRESHMAN GAME

Yesterday the freshman football team of the University of Nebraska defeated the representatives of the Kansas Aggies first-year class in the first game of its kind held in the Stadium. The practice of holding freshman games between different colleges is a new one in the Valley, and the game was watched with considerable interest by the other Valley members. The interest and enthusiasm shown in this contest should continue the practice in the Cornhusker institution and it will doubtless be taken up by other Valley schools.

The first-year men in the Pacific Coast colleges engage in a schedule comparable to that of the varsity teams, and this is probably a contributing factor to the high-class football put forth by these institutions. The Missouri Valley conference and the University of Nebraska are showing the proper spirit of advancement in taking up the practices of other successful universities.

The game was well attended by an enthusiastic audience. The freshmen played with a dash and vim that showed the effects of their support. While the non-student attendance was hardly overflowing, there were enough people there to give the proper setting for a Nebraska football game.

We are glad to see the practice of having freshman games at Nebraska started, and hope that the games will prove to be a regular feature of the fall gridiron campaign. The experience is invaluable for the first-year men, and at the same time it gives them something to work for during the season, and to make their first bow to the Cornhusker supporters.

The Princeton students have abolished the annual sophomore-freshman tug-of-war because of the high cost of rope strong enough to stand the strain of the tussle between the 1200 members of those classes. It is estimated that such a rope would have cost \$1000.

HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETES

University of Nebraska fraternities have been charged with seriously jeopardizing Lincoln high school athletics. In the Friday morning issue of the Lincoln State Journal, "Former Lincoln Football Players" made the statement that University societies are doing more harm than the old high school frats ever did. It is charged that the high school athletes do not play the game for their school but to make a hit with the University fraternities. Fraternities are blamed for the breaking of training rules by various high school youths and the condition of stubborn over-confidence and self superiority which it is alleged exists in the rank and file of the Lincoln high football team.

We believe that the authors have been somewhat cynical, although fraternities do have their influence on the high school athlete, it is our opinion that the condition is not as devastating and deplorable as pictured in the article by the writers. We do not, however, attempt to deny that the influence on the junior Cornhuskers is all the best. It is with this situation as with many, there are bad points and good points as well. Our candid opinion is that in so far as the influence is brought to bear, the high school athlete is wholly the one at fault.

University of Nebraska fraternities are after the high school athlete no doubt. So are other college fraternities and other university athletic teams. Naturally when a fraternity

sees an outstanding athlete consistently perform in a creditable fashion, in Lincoln or elsewhere, it wishes to persuade him to enter the University of Nebraska and be pledged to their society.

In fact, fraternity members are instructed to be always on the lookout for new members who may bring honor to their group and their school, scholastically and socially as well as athletically. Fraternities may be thought of as sub-agents for the best interests for their school. Why not try and keep our own athletic products in our own state institution?

We could name a dozen athletes of prominence who had been Nebraska high school performers but were coaxed away. Some of these who rose to near all-American fame were: Rokusek, former Omaha athlete, later Illinois football captain; Cogizer, former Omaha athlete, later Missouri pass-snatching ace; and Spears, Drake captain last year, former Fairfield youth.

It is true that Lincoln high athletes have been invited to fraternity dinners and social festivities. It is true that these youth have training rules to keep. Fraternities do not deliberately cause the youths to break the said rules.

While they do request the presence of the high school student they do not try to ruin his high school spirit. They merely look upon him as their guest and future prospect. They do not try to ruin the high school athletics as was charged. They try to encourage it more and more, realizing it to be the root and source of future Cornhusker material.

The fault of the whole matter, as we see it, lies with the high school athlete himself. If the youth allows this fraternity association to swell his head, becomes selfish, and wants to play the game himself, we should not look upon the fraternity as a curse. What we should do is to reprimand the high school athlete severely and make him realize the folly of his own conceit. The problem is not one of stopping the action of fraternities but one of opening the eyes and minds of the high school athlete to the truth of the situation.

NOTICES

Military Ball Committee
 Important meeting of Military Ball Committee Monday at 5 p. m. in Nebraska Hall 205.

Green Goblin Meeting
 Green Goblin meeting Tuesday evening, November 9, at 7 o'clock at the Alpha Theta Chi house, 1806 D Street. It is necessary that each Green Goblin be present.

Other Opinions

The Daily Nebraskan assumes no responsibility for the sentiments expressed by correspondents and reserves the right to exclude any communications whose publication may for any reason seem undesirable. In all cases the editor must know the identity of the contributor.

Dismissal of Classes
 To the Editor:
 Is there no way we can appeal to instructors so they will dismiss their classes on time?
 There is ample time between periods to enable one to go to and from classes, but when the professor keeps his classes five or ten minutes over time, what is to be done?
 There are some professors who spend the fifty minutes of class time talking about anything and everything except the day's lesson. They undoubtedly have the best intentions, but by some peculiar turn of mind are not able to stick to their subject. They ramble on, and the time slowly passes. The bell for dismissal rings, the professor realizes that he has imparted nothing to his class, and consequently keeps them over-time in a last effort to say something, not realizing that his students probably have classes the following hour.
 While he is trying to talk, the students are restless, shuffling their feet, rustling papers, clearing their throats, or gazing out of the window—trying in every way to show that they want to go.
 The pupils do not get anything out of a class like this, and they are generally late to the next class. Can not the instructor realize that there are other classes besides his, and to confine his lectures to the allotted space of time?
 S. E. H.

DR. CHARLES FORDYCE SPEAKS TO HI-Y CLUBS

Dr. Charles Fordyce, chairman of the department of educational psychology and measurements, spoke to members of the Hi-Y clubs in Lincoln and suburbs at a meeting at Havelock last week on "The Dynamic of Manhood."

An alumnus of Berkeley barely escaped from a fire of the Chinese revolutionists. He wrote of his thrilling adventure to his brother who is living in Berkeley.

Studio Assignments

Seniors who have not had their pictures taken. This is the last week.

Elsa Stimbart, Alonso Stiner, Anton Stipek, Melvin Stirts, William Stockfield, Velma Stoll, Harry Stone, Katherine Stone, Ruth Stough, Rex Strader, John Straka, Arnold Strom, Dorothy Struble, Kirk Strubblefield, Virginia Stults, Laura Sullman, Harold Sumption, Fred Svoboda, Maurice Swan, Drayton LeRoy Trumbull, John William Taylor, Ruby M. Teater, Wilbur Taylor, Esther Tefft, Macklin Carey Thomas, LeRoy Tooley, Katherine Tait, Bernice I. Timma, Priscilla Towle, Elizabeth Tracy, Esther E. Tritsch, Luir R. Triango, Donald C. Thornton, Harvey Toft, C. Howard Toms, M. Helen Troxel, Osmond V. Test, A. Walter Tillotson, Earl Robert Taylor, Elsi Thiel, Charles Uhlig, Merlin Upson, Frances Ure, Aileen Utter, Elsie Mae Vandenberg, Leota Vanderpool, Wilhelmina Vanson, Kenneth Van Voorhis, Tom T. Varney, Fred Vette, Filemon Villareal, Raynold Vlasak, Rudolph Vogler, Earl Edwin Walker, Wilma Walker, Mary Louise Walsh, Eleanor Walsh, Berenycce A. Webster, Darrell Rouse Weaver, Harry L. Weingart, Edwin M. Weiland, Joe E. Weir, Ethel Maud Wells, John Benton Welpton, Frances West, Helen West, Raymond F. Weller, V. Royce West.

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