

HUSKERS MEET SOUTH DAKOTA IN CAGE GAME

Nebraska Basketeers Open Season on Coliseum Floor Thursday

SQUAD IN GOOD SHAPE

Artificial Illumination Is Used for First Time in Field House

With the opening tilt of the 1928-29 basketball season with South Dakota State Thursday night, Coach Charles Black sent his regulars through a stiff workout last night under the three large arc lights erected recently. In order that they might be accustomed to the artificial illumination, the Varsity squad practiced for an hour on the Coliseum court.

A long drill on passing, offensive and defensive play was terminated with a short scrimmage session which gave the squad the last hard scrimmage before the South Dakota State contest tomorrow night. As yet no indications of the starting line-up have been given although it is fairly probable that Grace, Witte, Macley, Lewandowski, Holm, and Fisher, will see the most minutes during the game.

Squad Looks Good

"The squad looks much better now than it did at this time last year," declared Coach Black last night. "Because of the late start in practice for the game Thursday night I have been using many different combinations, and cannot determine the starting line-up at this time," he continued.

"Although many promising candidates are on the squad, the older and more experienced men will probably start the first few games. The football men are still a little

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AG CLUB SPONSORS ANNUAL STAG PARTY

Boxing, Wrestling, Skits Features Program for Holiday Affair

One hundred and thirty-five men students in the College of Agriculture will attend the annual Ag College Stag at 8:15 tonight in the Ag cafeteria. Ticket sales closing last night indicated that the attendance would pass the hundred mark. "The demand for tickets was not satisfied," said Eaton Clarke, who was one of the committee of three preparing for the annual oyster feed. No more tickets will be sold, however, as the accommodations will not permit an increased attendance.

Feature Skit Added.

The only change in the scheduled program of boxing and wrestling has been the replacement of Fred Merdith's name by "Fat" Pierce. A feature skit has been added to the program, being given by Theodore Alexander and Austin Goth. Other entertainment has been unannounced.

The annual stag party was first initiated into College of Agriculture affairs in 1922, and since that time has been held every year. The Ag Club sponsors the affair, which gives students of the College of Agriculture campus additional opportunity to meet together.

SWIMMING TEAM GETS UNDER WAY

First numeral swimming meet will be held Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock, Rudolf Vogeler, instructor in physical education, announced yesterday.

Blue numeral sweaters have been adopted as the official swimming sweaters, Mr. Vogeler said. As a result of this meet, members of the tentative Nebraska swimming team will be selected. This team will have a meet shortly after the Christmas vacation, probably with either Kansas U. or the Kansas Aggies.

Pershing Rifles Cancel Banquet for Wednesday

Pershing Rifles will not hold their banquet Wednesday evening, according to the information given out Tuesday. If weather permits, drill will be held Thursday evening at 5 o'clock.

More Men Needed For Tumbling Stunts

More men are needed for the gymnastic team, Rudolf Vogeler, instructor in physical education said yesterday. This team will put on stunts between the halves of the basketball games during this season, beginning with the game Thursday night, with South Dakota.

Men who are interested in tumbling, pyramid building, apparatus work or gymnastic work of any kind are urged to report to either Mr. Vogeler or Kenneth Mallette.

Friday Is Shortest Day of Year With Daylight Existing for Only Ten Hours

Quarterly Reports Will Be Out Friday

Third quarter reports will be mailed out this Friday according to a statement obtained from Dean T. J. Thompson at his office, Tuesday, December 18.

STUDENTS CALL FOR BASKETBALL TICKETS

More Than 2100 Football Books Were Exchanged Yesterday

EXPECT LARGE CROWDS

Approximately 2,100 football coupon books were exchanged for season books for basketball, baseball, wrestling and track yesterday at the student activities office. As usual the line began forming early in the morning to get the tickets exchanged.

John K. Selleck announced that they would continue exchanging the books so that those who neglected to bring them down yesterday can still do so. The football books, it was announced, would be exchanged in January.

Larger Crowds Predicted.

Larger crowds are expected at the games this year than in any previous years according to Mr. Selleck. The largest crowds last year were for the Missouri and the Kansas games when about 4,000 attended. The seating capacity of the Coliseum for basketball games is 7,500.

This is the first year that the University has been able to handle the basketball crowds. Last year there was no paving in front of the Coliseum as there is now and it was quite often a sea of mud. Before the Coliseum was built the Varsity basketball games were then played in the Armory which would seat only about 1,100 persons. It was always packed to capacity. In the last three years there has been an increase from 1,100 to 4,000.

It is interesting to note that the larger crowds attended basketball games last year than attended football games eight years ago. Mr. Selleck believes that the Coliseum will be packed to capacity with basketball crowds in the near future.

Y. M. CABINET MEETS TO DISCUSS MR. FAM

Work of Egyptian Speaker On Campus Reported At Session

The cabinet of the Y. M. C. A. met last evening at the Temple in an interesting session featured by reports on the results of the recent visit of Hanna Fam of Egypt.

In a report by a committee of the faculty members, students and the alumni, which met while Mr. Fam was here, plans for the initiation and developing of interest on the campus in the work of Stele Holcombe, a Nebraska alumnus in Egypt, were made. Mr. Fam was formerly associated with Mr. Holcombe in his work at Cairo and he gave an account of his work there and the influence he had among the natives.

A report was also made on the number of fraternities planning on taking up fraternity discussion groups in their houses after the first of the year.

Wolves Silent After Dawson Turns in Win

Fred Dawson, former head football coach and athletic director at Nebraska, may or may not be retained as football coach at Denver University according to an article in the Denver Post. Denver University's unexpected victory over Hawaii University silenced some of his critics but apparently the wolves are still howling. It is rumored that he will receive a new contract if he has the support of the players.

'Flu' Epidemic Is on Wane at Iowa State

After reaching a high point of over sixty patients over Sunday, influenza at Iowa State is on the wane, according to Dr. J. F. Edwards, college physician. Today the number had dropped to fifty-four. The hospital has capacity for 100 patients, consistently and have lost sleep consistently and are run-down physically are most susceptible to the flu, according to Dr. Edwards.

Christmas Meeting Is Held by Ag Y. M. C. A.

At the Christmas meeting Tuesday, Dec. 18, the Y. W. C. A. of the College of Agriculture, a twenty-five minute program was given. The program consisted of a scripture reading, carol singing and a reading, "The Christmas Angel," by Walter Ben Hare, given by Miss Frances McCreary.

Sun Rises at 7:48 O'clock And Goes Down at 5:03 As Extreme Southern Orbit Is Reached

Friday, December 21, will be the shortest day in the whole year, according to Professor G. D. Swezey, chairman of the department of astronomy. The reason for this is that the sun rises and sets far to the south, and therefore has less time to shed light on the earth.

Contrary to a more or less prevalent conception, the day itself still contains the regular twenty-four hours. However, on this day the sun rises later and sets earlier than any other time in the year, and therefore the amount of daylight is at its minimum.

According to Professor Swezey, the shortest day may vary as to the exact date. He explains this by the fact that a year contains 365 1/4 days, and for three successive times each year increases one-fourth of a day. After it has increased to 366 days the year then drops back to 365 days and again begins to increase. The shortest day, therefore, may vary according to the length of the year.

Professor Swezey states that on Friday the sun will rise at 7:48 a. m. and will set at 5:03 p. m. The day will be exactly ten hours and fifteen seconds long.

According to Professor Swezey the reason that the days grow successively shorter is that the sun continually describes a more southern orbit; and when it is at its most southern the day is the shortest of the year. This year the sun reaches its farthest southern point at 9 p. m. on Friday.

DEGREE APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED THIS WEEK

Basement of Administration Building Will Be Office For Candidates

TRIED FOR FIRST TIME

All candidates for degrees, either seniors or graduates, are requested to make application in the office for their accommodation in the basement of the Administration building. The office number is B-9. All candidates, whether intending to graduate in February or in June, should have these applications in the office by the end of the week.

The office for candidates for degrees is an innovation, being tried for the first time this year. It is under the joint direction of Miss Emma Hewit, assistant registrar, and Miss Melson. Miss Hewit handles the applications for degrees from the colleges of Arts and Sciences, Engineering, Pharmacy, Dentistry, and Medicine. She is also in charge of graduate applications. Miss Melson takes care of applicants from Teachers college, and colleges of Agriculture, Law, and Business Administration.

BEARG GOES TO ALMA MATER AS DIRECTOR

Former Husker Coach Will Take Full Charge of Athletics

Coach Ernest E. Bearg, who coached the Nebraska football team to the football championship in the Big Six conference this season, has accepted a position as director of athletics and head football coach at Washburn college, Topeka, Kansas, according to press dispatches from the Kansas capital. Only recently Coach Bearg stated that he did not wish to be considered as the Nebraska mentor for next season and since that date rumors have been flying about the campus that the Husker coach was going back to his alma mater as athletic director. Yesterday the rumors were confirmed and the former Cornhusker football tutor is in Topeka where he attended the opening dedication of Washburn's new \$200,000 field house.

Gets At Increased Salary

Coach Bearg, who has coached Nebraska teams for the past four years, goes to Washburn at an increased salary, according to reports from the Jayhawk state. Bearg will hold the position of athletic director, head of the physical education department and coach of the football team.

Dr. Womer, president of Washburn, stated that they expected Coach Bearg back to the Topeka school when he left in 1920. He also stated that Coach Bearg refused a renewal contract at Nebraska at an increase in salary and also turned down offers from three other large universities.

Glee Club Will Meet in Morrill Wednesday

A special meeting of the Glee club will be held at 5 o'clock Wednesday afternoon in gallery B, Morrill hall. According to Hermann T. Decker, director, the meeting will be important, and all members are requested to be present.

Sixty Bags of Cards, Gifts Leave Daily

Five times the normal amount of mail is being handled at Station A in the Temple during the Christmas rush, according to a statement made by post office officials Tuesday afternoon.

About sixty bags of mail are leaving the office daily this week, which contain chiefly parcels and Christmas cards. Most of the packages mailed this week are addressed to distant locations; those bound to distant locations were sent last week. Students are urged to post all their Christmas mail by December 24, as the post office will be closed the following day.

CUNEO IS LECTURER AT FORUM MEETING

'Argentina Has a Question To Ask Hoover' Is Luncheon Topic

CONCLUDES THIS SERIES

The World Forum meeting to be held this noon at the Nebraskan hotel will be featured with a talk by James A. Cuneo, assistant instructor in the Romance languages at the University of Nebraska, on the subject, "Argentina has a Question to Ask Hoover."

Today's luncheon is the third in the second series held this year. Tickets, priced at thirty-five cents may be obtained at the Y. M. C. A. office in the Temple and also at Ellen Smith hall. All students and faculty members are urged to attend this meeting which will be of interest to everyone because of the present state of affairs in South America and the status of the trip being made by President-elect Herbert Hoover.

Mr. Cuneo, the principal speaker, is a former resident of Argentina and because of the popularity of the question before the Forum and his interest in Argentina has consented to talk on that topic.

Students and the faculty will note that the program will be completed in time for those who have one o'clock classes to attend them.

DECEMBER ISSUE OF ALUMNUS IS PRINTED

Magazine Containing Stories Of Alumni Is Ready for Distribution

December issue of the Nebraska Alumnus, official publication of the Alumni association, will be ready for distribution Wednesday. This month's edition contains many articles on the alumni activities, especially the meeting of the New York alumni the night before the Nebraska-Army game.

The Nebraska Alumnus says, "When 300 Cornhusker alumni crowded into the ballroom of the Hotel Commodore for a buffet supper the evening before the Army game, and then multiplied themselves with their friends, relatives and countrymen to make some four thousand strong at West Point, Michie Field, Nebraska affairs in the far east touched a new high point of interest and enthusiasm." Chancellor Burnett was the principal speaker of the evening. This is the first time that any Nebraska chancellor ever addressed the New York alumni.

Chancellor Burnett Writes

The feature article written by Chancellor E. A. Burnett, "What is a Professor Worth?" contains a paragraph that illustrates a policy that the University is advised to follow. It reads: "I should like to see at the University of Nebraska an increasingly large number of highly outstanding men and women. I should like to have a few salaries sufficiently attractive to secure and hold the best known men and women. I should like to have a few worth-while prizes hung up to be striven for."

To carry out such a policy approximately \$138,000 would be used, taken from the \$283,000 appropriation that has been asked for by the University for the payment of better salaries.

The Nebraska Alumnus includes articles on Ruth Bryan Owen's successful campaign for congress; Continued on Page 8.

"Kabaret Comments" (By The Inquiring Reporter)

Each day for the ensuing week, the Inquiring Reporter will interview Nebraska students in regard to their opinions of "Kabaret Koemet" which is to be conducted each Saturday afternoon.

Today's comments are: "I think plenty of people want to go out but they are afraid they will be tea hounds. It is no more caskish or expensive than afternoon shows." Bill McCleery, '31, Hastings.

"I think it is fine. It helps to make new friendships and acquaintances. Besides that it is clean, un-degrading entertainment and something at which to spend your spare time." Lester Lehmyer, '30, Clay Center, Kansas.

"I am in favor of it for these reasons—it furnishes good entertainment at low cost, it provides a method of restraining the band script, and finally it gives one something to do Saturday afternoon. What more could a student ask?" Kenneth Gammill, '30, Flagler, Colo.

KAPPA PHI GIVES CHRISTMAS PARTY

Kappa Phi, Methodist girls' society, will hold its Christmas meeting Thursday evening, December 20, from 7 until 8 o'clock, at the Wesley foundation house, 1417 R.

The program of the informal meeting will consist of readings, an instrumental solo, and the singing of Christmas carols. Marjorie Ann Stuff, chaplain of Kappa Phi, will read the Christmas story. Refreshments will be served at the end of the hour.

All Methodist girls of the university are cordially invited.

SIGMA DELTA CHI HOLDS INITIATION

Four men were initiated into Sigma Delta Chi national professional journalistic fraternity, Tuesday evening in the school of journalism rooms in University hall. The men initiated were Joyce Ayres, '30, Lincoln; Gordon Larson, '30, Rawlins, Wyoming; Gene Robb, '30, Lincoln, and Douglas Timmerman, '30, Lincoln.

Joyce Ayres is a member of Alpha Tau Omega and holds a position as news editor on The Daily Nebraskan. Gordon Larson is co-managing editor of the 1929 Cornhusker and is a member of Alpha Sigma Phi. Timmerman is also a member of the news editing staff of the Nebraskan and affiliated with Phi Kappa Psi. Robb is a member of Delta Upsilon and on the reporting staff of the Lincoln Daily Star.

Following the initiation in the journalism rooms, a dinner was given for the newly initiated men at the University Club. Sixteen members were present and Gayle C. Walker, faculty advisor of the fraternity and director of the school of journalism, gave a short talk at the dinner.

STAFF SELECTS COPY FOR EXCHANGE ISSUE

Material for Next Awgwan Is Taken from Other Magazines

NEW STORIES NEEDED

Material is now being gathered for the "Exchange" number of the Awgwan, university humor publication sponsored by the Nebraska chapter of Sigma Delta Chi, national professional journalistic fraternity. The issue will appear on the campus January 10, according to K. G. Anderson, editor.

A variety of jokes, quips, and features, gleaned from the various exchanges that are received at the Awgwan office, will constitute the major part of the next issue. However, material will also be accepted from local contributors and the editor has expressed a desire that all local copy be in the office by Friday, Dec. 21.

Members of the art staff are likewise requested to submit cartoons and drawings for the forthcoming issue to the art manager, Jimmy Pickering. The usual number of cartoons will be used in the January magazine, he said.

The magazines that will furnish material for "Exchange" issue are as follows: Alabama Rammer-Jammer, Annapolis Log, California Pelican, Carnegie Tech Puppel, Dartmouth Jack O'Lantern, Lehigh Burr, and others.

Call for Applications

The "Exchange" number will be the final issue of the Awgwan published by the present staff. Applications for positions on the staff for next semester have been called. Continued on Page 2.

PAUL GOOD GIVES TALK ON OXFORD

Paul F. Good, chairman of the Rhodes scholarship committee, will give an illustrated lecture on Oxford University Thursday evening, December 20, at 8 o'clock, in the basement auditorium of Morrill hall.

Mr. Good, a Lincoln attorney, is very well qualified to speak on this subject, being a former Rhodes scholar himself. This lecture, illustrated, and based upon actual experience will be of especial interest to any scholarship aspirants, and everyone interested in the University of Oxford.

Council Will Conclude Science, Religion Talk

The freshman council of the University of Nebraska will meet on Wednesday evening at 7:15 o'clock in the Temple.

The council will continue its discussions on science and religion. Problems of science and religion will be taken up and compared to complete that discussion.

Nebraska Football Team Handicapped by 'Small' Men Says New York Paper

According to the New York World, Nebraska's "small" football team is handicapped considerably this year on account of its weight and size and the statements of the famous trio of coaches, Knute Rockne, Glen Warner and T. A. D. Jones that Nebraska gets the finest athletic material in the world may not be so true in future years.

"The forward line of the Husker team this year," reads the article in the World, "averages only 184 pounds. It is a mighty good average for most teams but for Nebraska it is considered one of the light-

Sigma Upsilon Meets Thursday Afternoon

Regular meeting of Sigma Upsilon, national literary fraternity, will be held at 4 o'clock, on Thursday afternoon, December 20, in room 208, university library. All members are urged by the president to be present at this meeting.

EDUCATION SERVICE HANDLES TEACHERS

Many Calls Come for High School Instructors From Twenty-six States

MEN ARE OUTNUMBERED

University of Nebraska department of educational service handled registrations for 1,316 prospective teachers for the school year of 1928-29. Calls for 1,171 teachers were sent to the university by schools, and 757 of the candidates named by the department of educational service were appointed.

Only six counties in Nebraska were not served by the department either in direct response to calls or in furnishing information regarding the candidate. Sixty-nine percent of the 865 calls from the state of Nebraska were filled by candidates applying through the department of educational service.

Twenty Six States Ask Help

Twenty-six states in addition to Nebraska issued calls to the university for teachers, coming from as far as Arizona, Mississippi, Virginia and Washington. Iowa called for 85 candidates. Women registrants were slightly in the majority over men, 694 to 622. High school teaching positions were desired by 847 prospective teachers, kindergarten-primary positions by 181, and college, junior high, elementary grades, and superintending positions were about equal in desirability.

By the 757 appointments the department of educational service placed teachers in positions which draw a total of nearly \$250,000 yearly in salaries. The average salary for teachers placed in college positions was \$1,807.27, for administrative positions \$1,984.19, for high school positions \$1,392.10, and for grade school positions \$1,053.62.

Agriculture Is First

Agriculture apparently is the most remunerative subject to teach, those positions averaging \$2,083.33. The report issued by

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FINAL RIFLE TRYOUTS ARE HELD THIS WEEK

More Than 40 Contestants Firing for Positions On Varsity

Friday, Jan. 11, has been set as the final date for the inter-sorority rifle competition. According to Sergeant C. F. McGimsey, of the R. O. T. C. department and in charge of the rifle range, all scores must be turned in by that date.

More than forty contestants for positions on the varsity or sorority teams are practicing daily at the new range in Andrews hall. Sergeant McGimsey is still looking for members to make up the varsity rifle team, and urges all those who are interested to see him at once. Varsity practice for men is held daily from one to 3:30 o'clock, and sorority teams have the following period from 3:30 to 5:00 o'clock.

Kosmet Acts Entertain Chamber of Commerce

Several of the acts which took part in the Kosmet Klub Thanksgiving Revue, entertained the junior division of the Chamber of Commerce at its regular luncheon Tuesday noon. The acts included songs by King and Queen Kosmet, a blackface monolog, the Delta Gamma chorus, tap dancing and the Imperial Futentake.

Vespers Give Annual Christmas Services

The annual Christmas Vespers service held Tuesday in Ellen Smith hall featured a number of Christmas anthems which were presented by the Vespers choir. A special Christmas solo was presented by Helen Struble.

Pauline Gellatly, an instructor in the dramatics department, and member of the University Players, read a Christmas story entitled, "Whym the Chimes Rang." Lyndall Brumback led the meeting.

FIFTY-NINE GET NUMERALS FOR FROSH FOOTBALL

Largest Number in History Receive Blue Sweaters For Fall Work

BREAKS OLD TRADITION

Scarlet and Cream Slip-Over Gives Way to the New Freshman Color

The list of freshman gridiron numeral winners this year is the largest in the history of the University of Nebraska, fifty-nine men winning the coveted emblems. Several other men will be awarded numerals if third quarter reports show them to be up in over twelve hours and should bring the list up to above sixty.

Awarding of freshman numeral sweaters will mark the breaking of an old tradition and the beginning of a new.

Change Colors

It has been the custom in the past to award the first year men cardinal slip-over sweaters with white letters. At a recent meeting of the "N" Club, the members decided that cardinal and white should be kept as varsity colors alone. This was done to establish a certain standard, color whereby a Nebraska varsity man might feel that he was not sharing the colors with men who had not made their letters.

The numeral sweaters awarded to the freshman of '28 are to be dark blue. The numerals will be cardinal on a white background. Blue was chosen as the color for the sweater since the freshman jerseys are blue. By awarding such sweaters, the committee feels that it will establish the custom of awarding cardinal and cream sweater to "N" men only and thus create a standard.

Begins New Tradition

Director Gish stated that he knew an old tradition was being broken when the type of sweater to be awarded this year was chosen but he thought the new type of sweater would be liked and would mark the beginning of a new tradition.

There were thirty-five numerals awarded last year and this is a fairly accurate average of the past years.

The emblems were awarded to those squad members who were faithful in practice and up in their studies. League teams were organized and played an independent schedule of games. The evening varsity was kept busy working out opponent's plays to spring on the varsity.

Coach Praises Freshman

Special mention of the faithfulness of the members was made by Charley Black, freshman coach. "We found just as good men in the league teams as were on the freshman varsity, he said. This was due to the fact that we had to pick our men so soon in the season. The strength of these league teams was shown by the fact that late in the season a

METHODIST STUDENTS WILL HOLD LUNCHEON

Holiday Spirit Prevails at Gathering for Beatrice District Day

All-Methodist Christmas luncheon will be held at the Grand hotel, Thursday noon, December 20, according to Rev. W. C. Fawcett, Methodist student pastor. Dr. Charles Fordyce, chairman of the department of educational psychology, will preside. Tickets are fifty-five cents and may be obtained from any member of the Methodist student council or at the Wesley foundation, 1417 R St.

This is Beatrice district day, and Dr. A. O. Hinson, district superintendent of the Beatrice area will be the principal speaker. Special invitations to attend the luncheon are being sent to students whose home towns are in this district.

Other parts of the program will be the playing of a group of Christmas carols by the Wesley foundation orchestra, under the direction of Prof. Wm. Quick, and a series of three minute talks by representatives of the foundation groups, such as Kappa Phi, Phi Tau Theta, and Wesley Players. Each of those groups will sit in a body at the luncheon.

Students May Apply For Magazine Staff

Applications for appointment to the positions of editor, assistant editor and business manager of Awgwan for the second semester will be received by the Student Publication Board until Saturday noon, December 22.

Application blanks may be got at the office of the School of Journalism (U 104). Material previously submitted for consideration by the board need not be duplicated.

J. K. Selleck, Secretary, Student Publication Board.